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Jewish leaders in London firm against paying Soviet ransom

By DAVID LENNON
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LONDON. — Over 50 leaders of Jewish communities here yesterday denounced the Soviet imposition of an education levy on Jews seeking to leave Russia, and determined not to give in to this blackmail.

An official statement issued by the delegates declared that: "The leadership of Jewish communities throughout the world unequivocally condemns the newly imposed ransom. We reject any acceptance of his evil action and pledge ourselves to support Soviet Jews in their attempt to emigrate freely.

"We take note of the approach of a new era of political, cultural and economic relationships between the free world and the Soviet Union. The continuance of the ransom edicts inevitably raises serious doubts as to the moral integrity of the U.S.S.R.

"We shall resist, oppose and combat this decree with all the resources at our command, with the anger and indignation of a people not willing to stand by while our brethren are afflicted by cruel and tyrannical acts of persecution."

Mr. Pincus noted that the conference was unanimous that the basis of all their actions was that they were not going to surrender to blackmail. None of the delegates suggested even for one moment that payment should be made, he stressed.

In the afternoon the delegates held discussions on proposals for action. It was decided that this should be split up according to sectors: the academic world, governments, public protests, pressure through the media, and involving all the world's religions.

It was decided that each of the delegates will present their country's ambassador in London with a copy of the resolutions, and that when they return home, they will present copies to their country's delegate to the U.N.

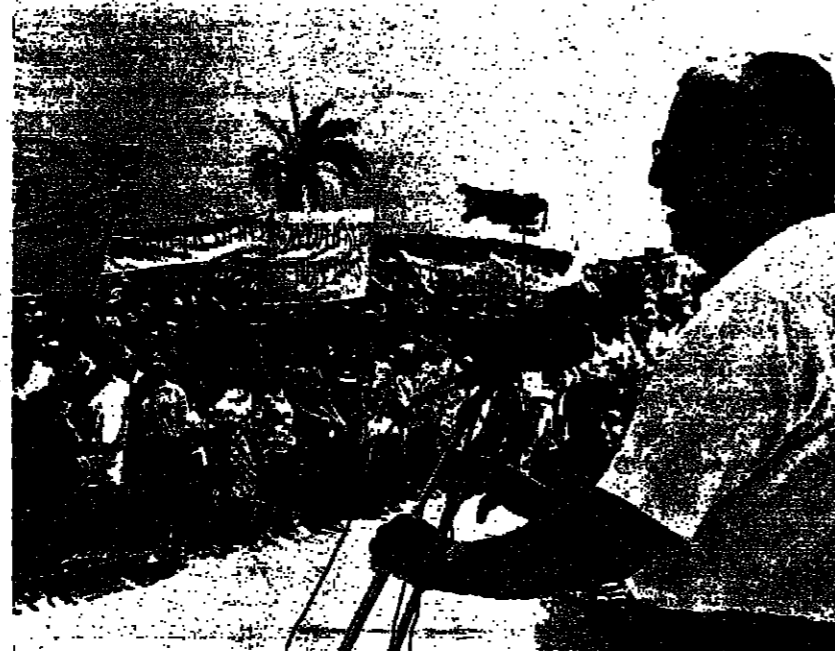
Moreover, it is planned to try to persuade all the countries of the free world to raise the issue of the educational levy at the forthcoming session of the U.N. General Assembly.

It was further decided to ask all scientists who have won Nobel prizes to put their names to a petition deploring this action.

The meeting which started early in the day and went on until the early late evening, first listened to young Jew who had left Russia only two days previously. He explained that friends had helped to raise the funds to pay the tax for his wife, who had an academic degree.

The delegates then heard recordings of phone conversations between Reville Janner in England and a number of Soviet Jewish scientists. All of the scientists were adamant in their insistence that the tax of be paid.

Jewish Agency chairman Arye Incus explained at a press conference later that the purpose of the meeting was to counsel one another in the ways to arouse the Jewish and non-Jewish world to try to persuade the Soviet Union not to impose the impost. He stressed that it is intention to bring home to Russians that this action is not compatible with peaceful relations.



Foreign Minister Abba Eban addresses schoolchildren assembled at the Western Wall yesterday in protest at the Soviet ransom tax. (Gutcher)

Eban: We will not rest

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"We will not rest nor be silent until we have averted the evil of the ransom decree, and until all the Jews of the Soviet Union are free to join us in the work of freedom and the work of peace," Foreign Minister Abba Eban told some 3,000 schoolchildren assembled at the Western Wall yesterday noon in a protest against the Soviet ransom laws.

The protest — timed to coincide with the opening in London of the international conference of Jewish leaders convened to discuss the ransom — was organized by the Israel Zionist Council, a body which promotes Zionist activity among youth movements, schools and students organizations.

Mr. Eban hit out at Dr. Nahum Goldmann — without mentioning him by name — by rejecting "couplets of despair" that had been voiced recently. (Dr. Goldmann suggested on Saturday that Israel consider paying the ransoms.) Mr. Eban recalled the "black visionaries" who said that no change in Soviet emigration policy was possible — only to be proved wrong by the tens of thousands of Soviet Jews who had since been allowed to leave for Israel.

In a letter sent yesterday to Soviet Premier Kosygin, Dr. Albert Sablin, president of the Weltmann Institute, appealed to the Soviet leader to "intervene personally to eliminate an injustice that is incompatible with the important position of your country in the world."

Dr. Sablin reminded the Soviet Premier that he had begun developing the oral polio vaccine in collaboration with Soviet scientists in 1946, when the U.S.S.R. was having more than 18,000 cases of the disease each year. He wrote: "Since 1960 thousands of millions of doses of vaccine, manufactured in the U.S.S.R. from the special viruses that I provided free of charge, have been used not only by the people of the U.S.S.R. but have also been sold for as much as 10 kopeks per dose to many other countries."

In other action:

- Prime Minister Golda Meir will address a special session of the Histadrut Council in Tel Aviv tomorrow, called to discuss the oppressive Soviet measures.
- Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon has sent a cable to the leader of the French Socialist Party, Mr. Francois Mitterrand, congratulating him on his stand on the issue. "One shameful act of the Soviets will not detract from the great moral and political progress your party has been making," Mr. Ben-Aharon declared.
- Mr. Otto Kersten, Secretary-General of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, has issued a letter to all member organizations calling on them to act against the ransom decree. The American AFL-CIO and the European Organization of Christian Workers have already passed protest resolutions, it was learned yesterday.

Spitz wins 7th gold, sets Olympic record

MUNICH. — Mark Spitz, winning an incredible seventh gold medal, helped the United States to a world record 3:45.16 victory last night in the 400-metre medley relay at the Olympic Games.

The 22-year-old swimming marvel, who has been the outstanding personality of this Olympics and perhaps of Olympic history, swam the butterfly leg of the relay race. Starting with only a slight edge, he stroked the American lead to more than six feet.

East Germany took the silver medal in the 100 and 200 freestyle, the bronze in 5:52.28. It was the final swimming event of the Games.

Spitz won four individual gold medals, in the 100 and 200 free style, and the 100 and 200 butterfly. He swam with the American team in the 400 and 800 freestyle and 400 medley relays.

Never before had any athlete won four Olympic gold medals in any sport. No Olympian in any sport had ever won more than five medals in one game. Spitz has already won two gold medals in relay races in Mexico City in 1968.

Spitz now intends to retire to devote himself to his career in dentistry, American sources said.

The swimming competition ended with four more world records in the last four races. In all, the swimmers set Olympic records in all 29 races, and in 25 of the 29 final world records were established.

Yesterday's world record effort in the relay erased the mark of 3:50.4 set September 5, 1971, at Leipzig, Germany, by a U.S. group that included Spitz.

The American men won 10 gold medals in 15 events, with East Germany and Sweden taking two apiece and Japan one.

In divers, the U.S. got eight, while Australia won two. West Germany, East Germany, Great Britain, Canada and Russia captured one each.

It was the same story in bronze medals, with the Americans grabbing eight, while Russia got two. West Germany, East Germany, Hungary, Japan and Canada took one each.

In other swimming events yesterday:

America's defending Olympic champion Mike Burton swam a world record 15:52.58 to win in the most grueling swimming event of the Games, the men's 1,500-metre freestyle.

Graham Windham of Australia took the silver in 15:58.48 and American Doug Northway got the bronze with 16:09.25.

Burton led the early stages of the race, but gave way to Windham before rallying in the final 300 metres to win, going away before a cheering throng.

Karen Moe of the U.S. broke her own world record in leading a 1-2-3 American sweep of the women's 200-metre butterfly swim.

Miss Moe, third after 100-metres, finished strong to register a time of 2:15.6 seconds and clip one full second off her former world standard which she set at Chicago last month. Lynn Colella was second in 2:16.3 and Ely Daniel took the bronze in 2:16.7.

It was the fifth consecutive victory in swimming for the American women.

Melissa Belote of the U.S. won her second Olympic gold medal with a world record 2:19.19 in the women's 200-metre backstroke. (A.P., UPI)



Mark Spitz acknowledges the cheers of the crowd in Munich.

U.S. gold winner disqualified in 'dope' test

MUNICH (UPI). — Rick Demont of the United States was declared out of the 1,500-metre freestyle swimming final on a doping charge last night.

U.S. Olympic Committee officials confirmed Demont, who won the 400-metre freestyle gold medal in the Olympic record time of 4:00.28 last Friday, was disqualified minutes before the start of the 1,500-metre race yesterday.

The first anyone knew of the incident was when officials announced lane assignments for the 1,500 and Demont's name was not called. Clifford H. Buck, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, then revealed that the International Olympic Committee had set Demont down for not passing a dope test.

It was not known immediately when Demont took the test or whether it would retroactively affect his gold medal victory in the 400-metre freestyle swim.

A U.S. trainer said Demont had taken a medicine containing ephedrine for his asthma, and had reported that fact to Olympic officials.

Demont watched the 1,500 at the end of the pool in the company of his mother, who said he had been taking the medicine "almost all his life."

The international cycling union yesterday withdrew the Olympic bronze medal awarded to Holland in the 100-kilometres team time trial after a dope test on one of the Dutch riders was found to be positive.

Following Soviet pull-out Egypt's air defences 50% less effective

By K. O. THALER
LONDON (UPI). — Russia's military pull-out from Egypt has seriously reduced Cairo's air defence potential, by perhaps as much as a half, defence sources said yesterday.

An assessment suggested that Egypt's air defences may have lost a sizeable part of the effectiveness established by the influx of Soviet material and know-how after the crisis resulting from the Israeli bombing campaign of 1969-70.

The Soviet pull-out was said to have not only substantially reduced the physical presence of some of the most powerful and modern military equipment, but to have also considerably affected the vital know-how as a result of the withdrawal of Soviet experts.

Sources stressed this new situation does not suggest the Egyptian air space is now open to any possible new Israeli air offensive.

Egypt's air defence system is still better than it was when the late President Nasser called in the Soviet Union to take over the nation's air defence.

But, they said, Egypt's air defence potential is now considerably less effective, possibly only one-third or one-half of what it was when the Russians controlled it.

The Russians brought in their Sam-3 ground-to-air missiles which were held to be more effective than the Sam-2s.

But above all, the Russians controlled and operated the Sam-3s which were credited with having brought down some of the attacking Israeli American-made Phantom jets.

The Russians were training the Egyptians in the use of the Sam-3s and the complicated radar equipment that goes with them. More recently, the Egyptians were said to have been manning 65 Sam-3 sites, but the Russians apparently remained in overall control. There are also some 70 Sam-2 sites.

The sites are now run wholly by Egyptians.

The more recent Sam-4, -5 and -6 types were apparently all run by the Russians. These have been withdrawn.

The most advanced Mig-23s were operated by the Soviets, as were Tu-16 fighter-bombers. These have now been flown out of Egypt.

While they were strictly part of the Russian defence system, their presence was considered by the Egyptians as playing an important part as a deterrent against Israeli air incursions. The Mig-23s were also used for reconnaissance operations by the Soviets.

How far the Egyptians have mastered and will be able to cope with the complicated air defence systems left behind is a matter for speculation.

But defence sources expressed doubt about the effectiveness, especially since the Russians were believed to have taken with them a great deal of vital equipment and know-how that has, so far, not been replaced.

The question of adequate supply of spare parts also remains unanswered.

Fifth attack from Syria Tank hits mine in Golan — no casualties

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

An Israeli tank hit an anti-vehicle mine in the Bukata region of the Golan Heights yesterday morning. There were no Israeli casualties.

A search of the area later revealed large quantities of sabotage equipment, brought over into Israel-held territory by terrorists from Syria.

This was the fifth attack from Syrian territory in a week. On Sunday, an Israeli patrol was attacked in the Majdal Shams area, while on three other separate occasions, Nahal Golan and Ramat Hamagshimim were shelled by mortars.

Security forces who arrived on the scene of the explosion shortly after the incident yesterday, ascertained that the mine was planted by terrorists who had infiltrated into Israel territory in small groups.

In a departure from the usual practice the Army Spokesman yesterday specified that an Israeli tank had been hit, and not just an Israeli vehicle. Observers see this as a clear warning to Syria of the seriousness with which Israel views the incident.

There are several explanations for the recent spate of activity into Israel from Syria. It is known that all terrorist excursions from Syrian territory have to be officially sanctioned by the government there. The attacks come at a time when the executive committee of the various Palestinian terror movements is in conference in Damascus, preparing the way for the Palestinian National Conference due to be held in Cairo next month, and the groups are jockeying for leadership.

There are an estimated 3,000 terrorists on Syrian soil — 1,800 of them members of the Syrian-sponsored e-Sa'eka organization. The main financial supporter of the terrorist organizations is Libya — Syria's partner together with Egypt in the Tripolite Federation — which has been pressing Syria to open up its borders for action against Israel.

Since the Jordanian battles with the terrorists in August 1970, and the Israeli pacification of southern Lebanon in June of this year, the terror movements have been finding it hard to justify their existence, and the financial aid Libya, Iraq and other Arab states have been giving them. The possibility of terrorist pressure on certain pro-Palestinian ministers in the Syrian Government cannot be discounted.

Radio reports that the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine was responsible for yesterday's action are discounted by Arab affairs experts here, who note that the P.F.L.P. is considered persona non grata in Syria, and thus it is unlikely that the Syrian Government would risk confrontation with Israel on their behalf. The P.F.L.P. has so far concentrated all its efforts in Lebanon, and at striking at Israeli civilian air traffic and interests abroad.

Observers believe that yesterday's action was the work of e-Sa'eka, awakening after a period of inaction, in an attempt at maintaining a leading role within the terrorist movement.

Comptroller blasts Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The State Comptroller yesterday issued a scathing critical report on the Tel Aviv Municipality for the years 1967-1972, exposing a situation of "near-lawlessness" in municipal services and inefficiency in internal administration. (See full stories — page 1)

The shortcomings listed in the report included:

- Failure of the city to effectively prevent or stop illegal construction.
- An "enormous" backlog of applications for building permits.
- 5,000 businesses allowed to operate without licences, including 1,000 food establishments.
- Inaction in curbing illegal peddling.
- Four condition of the roads, inadequate public safety and fire prevention supervision.
- Inefficient collection of city taxes.
- Inflated city payrolls — mileage metres on municipal vehicles that show a lower mileage in the evening than they do in the morning.

The Comptroller, however, pointed to improvements in the overall sanitation services.

Assassination attempt on Gaza Mayor fails

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Three men armed with pistols and a handgrenade attempted to assassinate Gaza Mayor Haj Rashad Shawa yesterday afternoon as he was getting out of his car in front of his home. Mr. Shawa, 60, escaped unhurt after struggling briefly with one of the assassins.

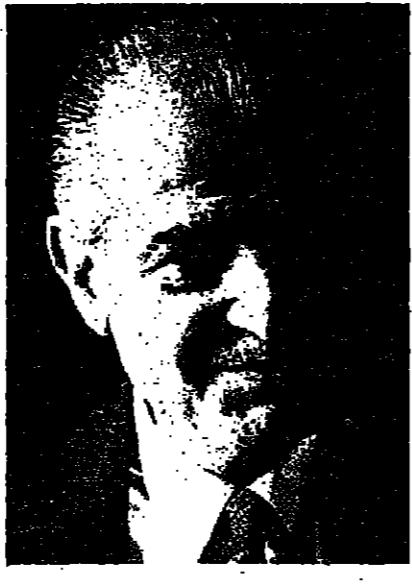
Security forces immediately launched a wide-scale search in the area.

Mr. Shawa, who was alone in his car, said the assassins fired seven bullets and tossed a British Mills handgrenade at him. Only one bullet hit the front windscreen of his car and the grenade failed to explode. According to the Mayor, the men came at him from behind a nearby wall, two on the right side of the car and the third on the left. When a bullet hit the car, the first two turned back and Mr. Shawa struggled with the third, who also fled.

The assassins had not been identified by last night. The Cairo-based terrorist radio claimed last night that the attackers were members of "the Palestine revolution," as the terrorist movement calls itself. The broadcast referred to Mr. Shawa as "the mayor who was appointed by the Zionist occupation forces." In a subsequent statement issued in Beirut, the terrorists said they had condemned Shawa to death and labelled him a "traitor."

News of the assassination attempt on the Gaza mayor was repeated by the official Cairo radio networks with obvious enthusiasm.

The Egyptian radio has been attacking Mr. Shawa for about a month over his two meetings with Jordan's King Hussein in Amman, reportedly to consolidate links between the Gaza Strip and Jordan. At the height of its violent criticism of the mayor, Cairo Radio accused Mr. Shawa of attempting to alienate



Haj Rashad Shawa (Arad)

the Gaza Strip from its traditional association with Egypt. The Egyptians at the time also threatened to stir up "armed struggle" against Shawa and his administration. They further accused him of coordinating his activities with Hebron mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari, and the Israel authorities to lay the foundations for Hussein's projected Federation linking Jordan with the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Mr. Shawa last night urged Gazans to denounce "the criminal acts," and expressed his "sorrow that a man who had devoted himself to the service of his people should be subjected to evil attempts."

Mr. Shawa, a wealthy landowner who studied economics at the American universities in Beirut and Cairo,

took over the mayoralty in Gaza last September. He became the city's, if not the Strip's, number one citizen, after some 8,000 Gazans petitioned the Military Government in his favour after the authorities dissolved the previous municipal council. Two months later Mr. Shawa was involved with the security authorities when Ziad Hussein, a wanted leader of a sabotage ring in the Strip, committed suicide in the mayor's cellar. Mr. Shawa was cleared of any complicity after the personal intervention of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan. He then concentrated on promoting his city's civil services and commercial ties with the outside Arab world through Jordan, and sought Jordanian passports for Gaza residents who have been stateless since 1948.

His recent contacts with King Hussein sparked off wide-scale speculations while the controversial mayor himself insisted all he was doing was to end the Strip's long isolation. At the same time he was slowly rallying the masses behind him against extremism.

Reuter news agency reported that

the state-run Jordanian television last night described the would-be assassins as murderers and criminals.

Mr. Shawa, the station said, had recently become a target not only for Israeli propaganda but also for "agents' machinery." Nothing in the attempt was new and it will not be surprising if it happens again, the television station added.

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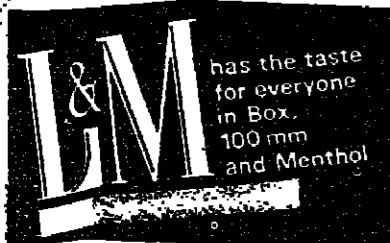
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ADDRESS BY THE PRIME MINISTER
GOLDA MEIR

Invitations to the Council are available from the Organization Department of the Executive and from Labour Councils.



Egyptian intentions at Knesset vote Gaza towns to include Ben-Aharon U.N. still undisclosed on Shapiro five refugee camps backs Eliav on peace

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Israel has as yet discerned no signs of Egypt's intentions at the forthcoming U.N. General Assembly; this emerged from a top-level meeting of senior Foreign Ministry officials with U.N. Ambassador Yosef Tekoah in Jerusalem yesterday.

Israel's own preparations for the Assembly are, as a consequence, "more hypothetical than practical," according to a senior Foreign Ministry source.
Israel is fully aware of the built-in majority against it at the U.N. and expects the usual "unpleasant" resolution on the Middle East. However, senior officials point out that there are limits to the power of the Arab and Soviet majority in the General Assembly.

If these limits are crossed, the nations of Western Europe and Latin America vote against the Arab drafts. Instead of merely abstaining. These limits, as they have taken shape since 1968, are:

- No change in the carefully balanced (and intentionally ambiguous) terms of Security Council Resolution 242 (the Arabs usually submit a draft entailing such changes) and themselves remove the offensive paragraph in return for promises of support on other points;
- No expulsion of Israel from any U.N. body (the Arabs tried this at the World Health Organization this year, but retreated when they saw that it would not receive majority support);
- No demand for immediate Israeli withdrawal without peace and without negotiations (the Arabs tried this in 1967 and Western and neutral Europe voted against).

E.C.C. PEACE EFFORTS

Meanwhile, senior officials in Jerusalem continue to play down reports of a new Middle East initiative building up among the nations of the European Economic Community. The Israeli officials say that, apart from the press reports, there is no hard evidence whatever of such an initiative.

(The press reports spoke of French efforts aimed at setting up a Middle East peace conference with the big powers and European nations taking part, along with the parties concerned. The idea was first mooted by U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, though he himself has not tried to press it. There have also been reports of a new French "paper" which Paris wants the other Common Market countries to subscribe to.)

There has been considerable Egyptian diplomatic activity in Europe recently, but Israel's belief is that President Sadat has really set his sight on a possible shift in the U.S. stand after the presidential elections. Efforts he is making in Europe at the moment are merely to "pass the time."

This applies both to diplomatic efforts, and to Egyptian quests for arms in Britain and other European countries. Jerusalem feels that Sadat cannot seriously hope to find in Europe a substitute for the Soviets as his main arms supplier.

Bankrupt manufacturer comes back

TEL AVIV. — David Dunsky, a prominent Israeli industrialist and former South African Zionist leader who declared bankruptcy three years ago, is expected to be reappointed to the District Court here yesterday, he was going to file application to have the bankruptcy order rescinded.

Mr. Dunsky said he was making a come-back, thanks to business friends in South Africa who were trying to raise funds to help him meet part of his obligations. The court gave Mr. Dunsky 30 days in which to repay his preferred creditors, who include the Japhet Bank and former employees of Telva Fashions, a \$150,000 a year export industry founded by Dunsky.

Mr. Dunsky's debts total some IL1.5m.
A former vice-chairman of the South African Zionist Federation, Mr. Dunsky came to Israel in 1948 and was for years chairman of the Israel office of the South African Federation. He headed a South African group which eventually entered 20 different industries. (Tim)

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Alignment M.K. Ya'acov Shimshon Shapiro is due to be coopted to the Cabinet today at a special Knesset session and appointed to the Justice Minister's post from which he resigned 11 weeks ago.

The House will sit at 10 a.m., interrupting its summer recess for the third time. The calling of the session is a statutory sequel to Cabinet approval of the Shapiro appointment yesterday.

The Knesset is not expected to approve Mr. Shapiro's appointment as Justice Minister unanimously, as the Cabinet did yesterday. Gahal is expected to spearhead a sharp Opposition attack on the move and contend that the situation which led to Mr. Shapiro's resignation has remained unchanged.

However, the Coalition factions in general, and the Labour-Ma'apim Alignment in particular, are expected to make a strong demonstration of solidarity to back the appointment.
Premier Meir is due to open the proceedings with a brief statement announcing the Cabinet's decision. Then debate will be opened. Premier Meir will answer the debate, and the appointment will be put to the vote.

Mr. Shapiro will probably make his statutory declaration of Ministerial allegiance at today's session after the vote.

Petitioners 'littered' sidewalk

TEL AVIV. — The action of two city inspectors and a policeman who allegedly dispersed a group of persons collecting signatures for a petition protesting the return of Mr. Ya'acov Shimshon Shapiro to the Government — was perfectly legal, the Tel Aviv police spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman, Rav-Pakad Amos Aricha, said an investigation had been ordered in the wake of complaints following the incident last Thursday evening. It found that the detail had been engaged in preventing pedlars and their wares from obstructing city streets.

At Rehov Dizengoff, they had ordered the petition collectors to remove piles of old placards, chairs and a table from the sidewalk. The inspectors were acting against a public nuisance and not interfering with the right of citizens to petition their government, the spokesman said.

By HERBERT BEN-ADI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
GAZA. — New city boundaries for all Gaza Strip towns have been drawn. It has been reliably learned here. The new municipal boundaries include five of eight refugee camps without infringing on the refugee status of their residents.

The three camps not included within municipal boundaries, El Bureq, Muazi and Nusurat, will elect local councils for municipal purposes.

Gaza municipalities will thus be able to tax camp refugees who reportedly have sufficient income to be taxed. In return, the municipalities will have to provide services not provided by UNRWA — water, electricity and sanitation.

The military government is at present building 680 housing units for Rafah refugees and 60 units for AbuMunir tribe Bedouins near the "Rafah approaches." Free building blocks will be provided near refugee camps for those who want to build their own homes. Several hundred applications for the blocks have already been filed.

The gross national product for the Gaza Strip and Northern Sinai reached IL298m. in 1971. This amounted to an average yearly increase of 23 per cent since 1968 in which the GNP for the area was IL134m. During the same period the GNP in Israel increased by 11 per cent.

Building activity in the Gaza Strip and Northern Sinai has increased 16-fold in the last two years. Israel has 15 industrial plants employing 400 workers in the Gaza Strip. Yearly production of the plants amounts to IL10m. worth of goods. Arab-owned industry in the area employs 5,000 workers and produces IL20m. worth of goods.

Gaza port will be enlarged to handle 200,000 tons of goods per year, the same as Eilat but with much less manpower. The planned enlargement will cost IL1.1m. Citrus will be shipped directly from Gaza in the next growing season.

Another addition to Gaza industry is a packing plant being built by the municipality of Dir El Balah at a cost of IL100,000. The plant will pack vegetables for export. Dir El Balah is the first town in the Strip to invest in an industrial plant.

Sources here say the recent grenade throwing is not the act of an organized group but of individuals. Ninety per cent of the population is said to be against such terrorist acts. The factors behind terrorist acts are said to be the presence of summer visitors, the approaching U.N. Assembly meeting, rivalry between pro-Jordan and pro-Egyptian factions and attempts to prevent normalization in the Gaza Strip.

Murderer of 10 gets life imprisonment

Jerusalem Post Reporter
GAZA. — A 17-year-old terrorist from Rafah, charged with 10 murders, was sentenced to life imprisonment by the Military Court here yesterday.

Mohammed Abu Sharif was charged, together with five other terrorists — one of them aged 14 — with the murder of a family of six. In addition, he admitted to the killing of four other persons.

Abu Sharif, according to the charges, took part in the brutal slaying of the Abu Lamin family in August last year. The murder took place on a secluded spot on the seashore, under the direction of the deputy commander of the Palestine Liberation Forces, Sheikh Salah Kadaf, who was later killed in a clash with Israeli security forces, and on whose bodies were found protocols of a "trial" condemning the Abu Lamin family to death for "treason and failure to live according to the Koran."

Abu Lamin, 53, his wife, 40, their daughter, 16, and the Abu Lamin sons, ranging in age from nine to 22, were killed by mauling and knife blows, then buried in the sand. Abu Sharif told the court the mother and daughter were both prostitutes, and the father a procurer. The accused told the court he had also taken part in grenade throwing in Gaza, to prove his loyalty to the P.L.F.

Ben-Aharon backs Eliav on peace

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Histaadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon lined himself up behind the "super-dove" views of Mr. Arye (Lyova) Eliav, M.K., and in a few words more or less promised his backing for Mr. Eliav's campaign to amend the Labour Party platform.

A garden party was held last night at the Zahala house of Mr. Yosef Geva, General Manager of Supercol, aimed at promoting Mr. Eliav's book "Keren HaEiv." The book has as its main proposition the creation of an Arab-Palestine state and far-reaching territorial concessions to all the Arab countries, including joint control with Syria of the Golan Heights.

Mr. Ben-Aharon described the book as "original and very daring. He really means business in this campaign of his. I believe that many, many people will be ready to go along with him a good part of the way he advocates, if not the whole way."

Mr. Ben-Aharon said Mr. Eliav's way "is close to my heart. He abandoned routine, and has given voice to the whispers of the many."

Mr. Ben-Aharon warned "we have to open our minds to arguments otherwise we are doomed to becoming pragmatic functionaries."

Author Amos Oz praised Mr. Eliav's book for stressing that "this land belongs to two peoples and that Eretz-Israel can become a good place to live in."

Rafah terrorist sent to jail for 12 years

Jerusalem Post Reporter
GAZA. — A 20-year-old Rafah terrorist was sentenced to 12 years imprisonment on Sunday by a military court here. The accused, Sulaiman Guma Saleh el-Sayiah, pleaded guilty to being a member of the Palestine Liberation Forces from 1969 to 1971, to throwing a grenade on Aug. 23, 1969, and he pleaded guilty to throwing a second one on Aug. 21, 1970. The second grenade caused considerable damage to the Somo petrol station in Rafah and injured one person.

For these activities and work in Israel, el-Sayiah received IL600. Defence counsel, Mr. Abu Daka, claimed el-Sayiah acted under mitigating circumstances, that he did not commit his offences for ideological reasons but for the money alone.

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August tourism 9% behind 1971

Jerusalem Post Reporter
August tourism represented a drop of nine per cent compared with the number who entered Israel in the same month last year, the Central Bureau of Statistics reported yesterday.

Out of last month's 71,300 arrivals, 6,700 were passengers aboard cruise ships that called at Israel ports. Another 5,200 were visitors who arrived by land from neighbouring Arab countries. Most of these persons were visiting with relatives in East Jerusalem, (not under the summer visits scheme.)

According to the Bureau, 521,900 tourists came to Israel in the first eight months of this year, 15 per cent more than the 454,400 who came during the same period in 1971.

No influx of tourists for holidays

LOD AIRPORT. — The anticipated influx of tourists for the High Holidays has failed to materialize, travel agents reported here yesterday. They said that many vacationers were still left in hotels throughout the country.

The agents attributed the drop to two factors: the fact that the Jewish holidays fall early this year "people are not willing to take another holiday so soon after the summer vacation," one agent explained — and the reluctance of many persons to travel by air because of the rash of hijackings.

The same situation is reported from major tourism countries in Europe such as France, Italy and Spain, it was pointed out. (Tim)

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Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev on a visit to Tel Aviv's Supercol store yesterday. The Minister, above, inspects holiday-eve meat prices ranging from IL16.48 to IL21.49, depending on the cut. (Gardet Sim)

Tnuva fined IL4,200 for impurities

TEL AVIV. — The Tnuva dairy plant here was fined IL4,200 by the Magistrate's Court yesterday on six counts of foreign bodies in its milk products.

The charge was based on complaints lodged by customers during 1971.

Tnuva's attorney, Mr. Zvi Bar-Shira, admitted to the charges, adding while the company was doing everything it could to prevent such occurrences, there was no "fool-proof formula." Judge Boris Rappoport replied that he appreciated Tnuva's efforts in trying to maintain hygiene standards, but that the public had a right to expect even better results. (Tim)

Kahane may visit Hebron — to pray — authorities say

Jewish Defence League head Meir Kahane may visit Hebron and Kiryat Arba on a "one-time basis," the spokesman of the Judda and Samaria Military Government said yesterday — on condition the visit is for purposes of prayer.

The spokesman, Rav-Seren Rafi Horowitz, was explaining the order issued last Friday by the Military Governor banning Rabbi Kahane and his followers from visiting Hebron. The order was aimed at preventing the J.D.L. activists from carrying out their intention of publicly "confronting" the Mayor, Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'atari, in connection with his alleged role in the 1929 Hebron riots.

Rabbi Kahane earlier this week had threatened to apply for an order nisi against the Military Governor who, he claimed, denied him his right "as a Jew to visit the City of the Patriarchs."

The spokesman said all Rabbi Kahane had to do if he wished to go to Hebron to pray, was to apply for a permit from the Military Governor.

Meanwhile, 11 yeshiva students from Kiryat Arba will be tried by a military court for entering the "Ma'arat Hamaspeha" (Tomb of the

Convict escapes from courtroom

TAIYIBA. — An Arab from Tira village, currently serving a 20-year-sentence for subversive activity, escaped from his police escort yesterday morning after he was brought to a Moslem religious court in connection with a divorce action filed by his wife.

The prisoner, Gamal Sultan, 24, escaped during an uproar that erupted when another litigant couple in the courtroom exchanged blows.

Police set up road blocks and combed the area, but the escaped prisoner was still at large late last night. (Tim)

Black Hebrew held for overstaying

TEL AVIV. — A Black American, Leroy Mitchell, was remanded by the Magistrate's Court here yesterday for 15 days, pending trial for illegal stay in the country.

Mitchell, according to police, arrived here as a tourist in January 1971, and was arrested in Tel Aviv at the request of the Interior Ministry, which intends to deport him.

Leroy Mitchell told the Court that as a Black Hebrew he has a right to remain here, and asked to be permitted to see the U.S. consul. (Tim)

Jealous boy burns brother with acid

NAZARETH. — A 17-year-old boy from Kiryat Shmona was charged in District Court here with pouring acid on his 14-year-old brother.

The charges state the youth, whose name was withheld because he is a minor, committed the act out of jealousy. The younger brother suffered hydrochloric acid burns on his arm. The incident occurred six weeks ago. (Tim)

Our beloved aunt LYDIA MARGOLIN has passed away

The funeral will take place today, Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1972 at 3 p.m. at the Old Hof Hacarmel Cemetery, Haifa. Dan and Giora Heth and their families. Families: Rav Kay Hai, Heth Toubin, Haifa. Trivus, Schechtman, New York, Paris

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Most see no alternative to present government

TEL AVIV. — More than half the population does not think there is any alternative to the present government. This emerged from the latest Dahaf public opinion poll.

A sample of 1,304 people were asked if "an alternative to the present government exists."

Some 51.7 per cent said there was no alternative, 11.5 per cent said "perhaps there is," and only 20 per cent considered there was an alternative. The "don't know" totalled 16.3 per cent.

Yadlin wants Koppel to succeed him at F.A.

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Aharon Yadlin announced yesterday that he will recommend ex-inspector-General of Police Pinhas Koppel as his successor as President of the Israel Football Association.

After becoming Labour Party Secretary-General, Mr. Yadlin decided to resign the Football Association post. He went on to relate that Mr. Koppel had consented to stand for election at the forthcoming general meeting of the Football Association.

Jerusalem Post Staff
HAIFA. — The condition of the 4,500 Jews still living in Syria has considerably worsened during the past several weeks.

Travellers who recently visited Syria and met inhabitants of the Damascus ghetto reported that Jews' movements have been severely restricted. Any Jew wishing to go outside the city limits must obtain special permission, and all documents are prominently stamped "Jew," the study of Hebrew has been forbidden and even prayer services may be held only under supervision.

The travellers reported that the international agitation on behalf of the Syrians Jews some months ago definitely influenced the Government, who now occasionally sends foreign journalists to the ghetto to interview the Jews. However, the latter are warned not to give a true description of the situation, but merely to declare that they are loyal citizens and consider Syria their homeland.

Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu, at a solidarity meeting held here last night, said Damascus Jews were being persecuted "only a few dozen kilometres from our border, for no reason or advantage to the Syrians but only in appeal to the basest instincts of their citizens."

Mr. Menahem Yehidi, M.K., called on the Government to instruct our U.N. delegate to raise the persecution of Syrian Jewry at the forthcoming General Assembly.

The meeting was the first in a series on behalf of Syrian Jewry. Another is to be held in Tel Aviv on September 12, and one at the Western Wall on September 28.

Zim admits failure in getting citrus trade

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

JFA — "The fact that Zim's citrus exports are a sign of failure," the firm's general manager, Sha Kashti, told *The Post* yesterday.

In answer to a question on Zim's share of the citrus trade, Mr. Kashti said a press conference that Zim's share had been gradually reduced to 25 per cent. It was a continuing process that "is hard to reverse," he said.

The Citrus Marketing Board has meanwhile established its own shipping department, which chartered freighters to carry the fruit, including four of Zim's own Matriarch class ships. They will serve the Board on a time charter basis for the forthcoming season.

We did not give the Board the price they needed," he frankly admitted. He added that a joint letter was now being written to the Board of citrus exporters, asking for refrigerated containers. This will help restore the balance, he said.

In answer to other questions he said that the labour contract recently signed with Zim's 1,000-strong shore staff had given the employees a rise of 20 per cent including the Cost-of-Living allowance for 1972 and another eight per cent for 1973. The contract, which is beyond official wage policy, was unanimously approved by the Board in full coordination with the citrus representative, he said.

The rise would cost Zim IL4m. a year, he said. Judging from the seven months of this year, Zim's share of 1972 would be similar to that of 1971, a little over IL20m. more taxes, on a turnover of about 100m.

Mr. Kashti announced that the agreement was now considering bringing three to five small container ships. They would carry up to 250 containers of 20 cubic ft each on Mediterranean and North European routes, replacing old Matriarch class freighters.

If we go ahead with this plan, half see to it that we order the ships at the Israeli Shipyards in Haifa, which can build freighters of this size," he said. He stressed

Plans \$10m. frozen food plant in Afula

Zim expects final approval for a large \$10m. frozen food plant to be built in Afula in partnership with a U.S. firm, the Zim General Manager, Mr. Moshe Kashti, told *The Post* yesterday.

He said the plant would use a modern method of liquid nitrogen freezing. It would take three years to complete.

It would prepare pre-cooked meals for all Zim ships and would eventually export \$20m. worth of fresh farm produce, such as strawberries and raspberries, would be carried in Zim ships.

The U.S. partner, "a large firm with a \$50m. annual turnover," would take a one-third share, he said.

that he was strongly in favour of building locally, whenever possible.

During the next Hebrew year, Zim will receive a number of new vessels now under construction in Europe. These will include a 230,000 ton supertanker from Holland; three large container ships from Germany and Italy, which will sail the U.S.-Japan route, to be extended to Haifa early next year; two roll-on, roll-off freighters from Rumania; and four 18,000 ton Clyde class freighters from Britain.

He said the new Zim container service between Japan and New York was "doing very well, a little better than expected." All container lines put into operation by the company had proved themselves both from the operational and financial points of view, he said.

As containerisation becomes more general, he thought it essential that plans for an adequate road network to serve Haifa port must be urgently carried out. "When the present reclamation work in the eastern part of the port is completed and the container terminal is built there, a grave bottleneck will develop if the Municipality does not build enough roads in time in that part of the city," he warned.

The City Engineer, Yosef Cohen, told *The Post* that the plans were well in hand "and the roads will be ready in time."

Eilat strike over rise in cost of living

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT. — Hundreds of Eilat put down their tools from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. yesterday in a strike against the rising cost of living.

The strike was organized by the works committees of the town's major industries, and was prompted primarily by the fare increase instituted by Arkia Airlines recently on its Tel Aviv-Eilat route. The fare was increased from IL85 to IL142 (one way) for Eilat residents, from IL45 to IL70 for tickets purchased at reduced prices five times a year by employers for their employees. Regular flight tickets rose from IL56 to IL70.

Eilat residents have expressed the feeling that the fare increase will cut them off from the rest of the country, and will hurt the tourist business — one of the city's main income sources. The works committees plan to hold a general strike Thursday if yesterday's protest brings no results.

Ben-Aharon takes swipe at Sanbar

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon took a verbal swing yesterday at Mr. Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel. Mr. Ben-Aharon charged that Mr. Sanbar did not know what he was talking about when he claimed that wage increases were responsible for inflation.

Speaking to a luncheon meeting of the newly-created Israel-America Chamber of Commerce and Industry Club, Mr. Ben-Aharon said: "Ever since I came to this country, I was told ruin would come if workers were paid decently."

Referring specifically to the protocol he signed with the Manufacturers' Association, the Secretary-General said it was not a national wage agreement. The protocol mentioned a three per cent wage rise on the basis of an assumed national net output of three per cent, but the real increase in output was five per cent, he said. Consequently, he said, the Histadrut reserved the right to change its position if major changes occurred in prices, taxes or other basic economic factors.



The new municipal central library was dedicated yesterday in the presence of Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education and Culture Yigal Alon and Mr. Arnold Grant, who donated the money for the new building. Left to right: Carl J. and Daniel P. Mayer, for whom the library was named, their mother, Mrs. Nancy Mayer (née Grant), Mrs. Kollek, Mr. Grant, Mayor Teddy Kollek, and Minister Alon.

New lending library still missing in Eilat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem's new central library was dedicated yesterday.

The 120,000-book facility, housed in a new seven-story wing of Beit Ha'am, was built largely with a \$700,000 gift to the Jerusalem Foundation by New York attorney Arnold Grant. It is called the Carl and Daniel Mayer Library after Mr. Grant's two grandsons.

Most of the facilities will be segregated according to age. A children's library is located on the ground floor, a cafeteria on the first floor and a lending library for adults and youth on the second floor. The third and fourth floors contain reading rooms for youths of various ages.

The fifth floor has a reading room for adults, including a newspaper section, and on the sixth will be a gallery for the lending of art reproductions.

The building's elevators are not yet installed.

Present at yesterday's ceremony was Education Minister Yigal Alon, who said he hopes to see the passage of a new law that will oblige all local authorities to establish public libraries.

Mayor Teddy Kollek said that the Jerusalem library system is the most advanced in the country. "To build a city," he said, "is not only to add more houses but also points of central interest of which libraries are one of the most important."

Mr. Nahum Bernstein, head of the Jerusalem Foundation in the U.S., said the organization has raised IL24m. for projects in the city, of which 30 have been completed and 70 are in progress.

Ecumenical library endowed by Jewish family

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A theological library donated by a Jewish family from Chicago was yesterday dedicated at the Catholic-founded Ecumenical Institute on the Bethlehem Road.

The \$100,000 library was donated in the memory of Robert Crown, a businessman and a U.S. Navy Reserve captain who was killed in an auto accident three years ago.

"We felt this was one way of creating some of the understanding that's required in this part of the world," said Lester Crown, brother of the deceased. Also on hand for the ceremony was Robert's widow and two of his children. The Crowns are friends of Rev. Theodore Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame University in Indiana, who played a key role in establishing the Institute.

The Crown family has extensive business interests and at one time owned the Empire State Building in New York.

The Institute, which is to open later this month, is aimed primarily at reconciling the divergent Christian churches. Its officials also hope to establish a dialogue with Jewish and Moslem religious thinkers.

Father Charles Sheedy, acting vice-rector of the Institute, said that the library presently contains 20,000 volumes. The number will increase in time to 100,000. "We hope to build this into the greatest theological library in the city in a few years," he said.

Retired experts help pensioners

A team of volunteer advisers — including retired social workers, years and retired civil servants — are taking part in an experimental programme of the National Income Institute to help retirees overcome the problem of enforced meanness and slender means.

The programme, called "Pensioners' Pensioners," is being tried out first only in Jerusalem and Ramat Gan.

The experts, all of them pensioners themselves, will provide following services: finding suitable jobs for retirees who need additional income; referring retirees to special vocational training courses; helping those who do not get extra income to find suitable unretired work; and general counselling on health, legal and personal problems.

Mexican scientific team here for talks on growth

LOD AIRPORT. — Mexico and Israel, both facing similar challenges in the sphere of national development, particularly in the reclamation of desert wastelands — have a lot to offer each other in the mutual exchange of know-how and experience.

This was stated here yesterday by Dr. Francisco Garcia Sancho, head of an eight-man Mexican scientific delegation, here for a 10-day visit as guests of the National Council for Research and Development. Dr. Garcia heads his country's National Council for Science and Technology.

The delegation constitutes the Mexican half of the joint committee for the implementation of the

Mexican-Israeli agreement for scientific and technological cooperation, which was signed last June. Under the agreement, the joint committee will be convened once every 18 months, alternately in Mexico and Israel, to draw up concrete plans for implementing the agreement.

The current session of the joint committee is to discuss a combined programme for 1973. Topics to be discussed include agricultural and arid-zone research, the holding of a joint symposium in Mexico, scientific exchanges, training for about 40 Mexicans in various fields of science and technology and the holding of advanced courses.

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It was noted that Israel's scientific cooperation programme with Mexico is the largest it has with any country.

The delegation includes Dr. Eduardo Echeverria Alvarez, the president of the Mexican Council for the Quality of the Environment and brother of Mexico's President Luis Echeverria Alvarez; Dr. Jose Luis Mateos, president of the Mexican Academy for Scientific Research, and Dr. Oscar Brauer Herrera, director of the National Institute for Agricultural Research.

The delegation is accompanied by two sons of the President of Mexico, who plan to study Israel's approach to problems of rational development, agriculture in arid zones, fisheries and the war on poverty. (IHM)

Beirut students seek Israeli contacts

HAIFA. — A group of medical students at a Beirut university have set up a committee to press the Lebanese Government to "improve" relations with Israel. This was reported here yesterday by Archbishop Joseph Raya, who returned here from Lebanon last week.

The Archbishop said he had met with seven of the students, who included two Jews. They asked his help in establishing contact with Israeli students and said they were ready to visit Israel, if permitted, to discuss with their counterparts issues of common interest to the two countries, he said. (IHM)

Discount, Barclays launch new savings scheme

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Discount Bank and Barclays Discount are today launching the "most advantageous saving housing scheme" ever drawn up in Israel, according to Mr. Eli Cohen, assistant to the director-general of banking network.

He scheme, called "Titron Dira," consists of three distinct parts: regular monthly payments for specified periods ranging from five years to 15 years; nine per cent interest on the sums accumulated; and a lump sum equal to twice the sum a saver has in the scheme at the end of the specified period of saving.

For example, if a person sets IL830 a month for five years, at the end of these five years he will have saved IL19,800; with interest, it increases to IL24,083. Since he also gets a mortgage of twice the sum he saved, (i.e., if he saved IL800, he will get a mortgage of IL1,600), the total sum will be IL25,883.

At the end of the fixed period, to take either nine per cent interest, or four per cent interest plus any upward fluctuations in the cost-of-living index.

The mortgages would be given for one and a half times the period of saving. Thus, if a person saved for five years, his mortgage would be for 7.5 years; if he saved for 12 years, it would be for 18 years. During all this period, the interest rate would be eight per cent unlinked.

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her plans will bring the savings, rent and mortgage up to IL70,000 more.

This is sufficient, even under conditions reigning today in the housing market, to buy a two-and-a-half or three-room flat, on the outskirts of any of the large cities in Israel," Cohen stated. Such an apartment would admittedly be small, but "sufficient for a newly married couple to set up householding."

He noted that the nine per cent annual interest would be paid to those subscribers who signed up for the fixed period. Moreover, the interest paid for the fixed period rises above nine per cent, and the subscriber could choose, at

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McGovern pledges 25th anniversary visit if elected

Senator George McGovern, Democratic candidate in the U.S. presidential election in November, yesterday said he hopes to participate as President in Israel's 25th independence anniversary, set for Jerusalem next year.

In a message to Dr. Miron Sleskin, Chairman of the Americans in Israel for McGovern, the Democratic candidate added, "I hope I can make the trip to dedicate the American Embassy in Jerusalem." The reference was to his earlier statement that he would move the embassy from Tel Aviv to the Capital.

Sen. McGovern in the message recalled, "I have pledged to be the first American President to visit Israel while in office."

New parachute facility opened

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent.

One of the most advanced installations for packing and storing parachutes in the world was opened at an army base on Sunday. The IL3.5m. building contains 32 packing tables, a modern repair shop and special storing devices.

The installation was opened by the Mayor of Ramat Gan, Dr. Israel Peled (Ramat Gan is the town which has adopted the Paratrooper Brigade) in the presence of Chief of Staff and Infantry Officer, Tat-Aluf Emanuel Shaked, and his predecessor, Tat-Aluf Raphael Eitan.

The design of the building is based on years of local and foreign experience, and features such as air-conditioning, an internal communications system and a conveyor belt have been included.

One of the most important — and expensive — improvements is a hyper-sensitive anti-fire warning system which automatically seals off areas and activates sprinklers when it detects smoke or when the temperature rises over a certain level.

German diplomat here on visit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Helmut Redies, head of the Middle East and North Africa Department at the Federal German Foreign Ministry, is visiting Israel, after recently touring a number of Arab countries.

He will be meeting with Mr. Mordechai Gazit, the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, and senior Ministry officials. He arrived here on Saturday night and will leave on Friday.

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Further information about the campaign are available from the Head Office of the United Synagogues, Reichel Shalom, Jerusalem, Tel. 3522.

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U.S. columnists report Secret negotiations between U.S., Syria

WASHINGTON (JNA). — Secret negotiations are taking place between Syria and the U.S. "looking toward a partial resumption of diplomatic relations" between the two countries, columnists Rowland Evans and Robert Novak said in "Washington Post."

"Confidential talks have been going on for some time and no imminent arrangement is expected," Evans and Novak wrote. "But the mere fact that the Syrian regime, one of the area's most virulently anti-American governments, wants a diplomatic outpost in Washington is the most spectacular piece of evidence yet available that the U.S. holds the trump cards in the Middle East today."

The columnists note that the Syrians want some form of diplomatic representation, "under the cover of a third country, such as the U.S. now has in Cairo through the Spanish Embassy."

The expulsion of the Russians from Egypt is currently perceived within the Nixon Administration "as an unpredictable sea change that has transformed the Middle East from the most dangerous threat of war between the Soviet Union and the United States to a potentially stable area in which Moscow's huge investment in arms is bankrupt."

In recent weeks, the Nixon Administration has reopened formal diplomatic relations with Yemen and Sudan, and Iraq has agreed to accept an American diplomat this month, they note. "Egypt, as the top Arab power, is leading lesser Arab states into a tentative anti-Soviet, pro-American posture that is changing the face of the Middle East," the columnists said.

Furthermore, they state, "this political change has taken place despite the U.S. decision earlier this year to give Israel just about all the military equipment it wants." Sadat, they add, will appeal to the U.N. to underwrite a Mideast peace conference rather than to go directly to the U.S.

"The real test will come next year," Evans and Novak stated, "when Sadat will quietly appeal to the U.S. for help on grounds that Cairo has expunged Soviet influence and is ready for U.S. mediation with Israel. A settlement under U.S. mediation, therefore, looks more hopeful than at any time since the 1967 war—but only if Israel, now riding high in the Mideast saddle, also agrees to negotiate."

100 stranded tourists confined to Moscow hotel

MOSCOW (AP). — More than 100 tourists were confined in an Aeroflot transit-hotel yesterday, stranded when their Soviet airline was unable to provide seats it had sold at bargain rates.

The passengers included Japanese, Germans, Iranians and Americans.

The largest group, about 80, arrived on Sunday. Another group had been held up since Friday.

All the passengers had been scheduled to change planes in Moscow. But whether they were bound for Tokyo, New York or Frankfurt, they found their scheduled flights full.

They were taken to the Aeroflot hotel and will probably have to stay there until space can be found on another Aeroflot flight.

The passengers were confined to their floors on Sunday night.

Space will have to be found on Aeroflot flights because the Soviets will not allow the passengers to change airlines to continue their journeys. A Pan-Am plane which could have accommodated most of one group left for New York on Sunday with 70 seats empty.

The Soviet airline will not allow the passengers to take other airlines because Aeroflot would have to reimburse the other carriers for the flight in hard currency.

One passenger said he bought a cut-rate ticket in New York from Aeroflot for a round-trip flight to Tehran. The price marked on the ticket was 1,470 rubles, \$1,760 at the official exchange rate. He said he actually paid \$475, about \$600 less than the agreed international rate.

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Egypt women may attend Friday prayers

CAIRO (Reuter). — Egyptian Moslem women yesterday gained access to one of the oldest and most exclusive preserves of males — the inside of a mosque during Friday prayers.

It was announced that women in the future will be allowed to perform Friday prayers in mosques — but they will have to stand in rows behind the men.

The announcement came following a request submitted to religious authorities by Dr. Soad Maher, a leading woman professor of Islamic art at Cairo University.

Cairo and Bonn discuss economic relations

CAIRO (Reuter). — Preliminary steps toward the promotion of economic relations between Egypt and West Germany were discussed here between representatives of the two countries, it was announced yesterday.

A high-level Egyptian economic delegation is due to visit Bonn later this month for talks with West German officials. They are expected to discuss financial aid which West Germany has promised to advance and an Egyptian request for a new rescheduling of debts owed to Germany.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Muzaffar Ghalib will visit Italy from September 16-17 at the invitation of his Italian counterpart, the Egyptian Middle East News Agency said yesterday.

Top Spanish bullfighter gored 4 times

BAYONNE, France (Reuter). — Top Spanish bullfighter Luis Miguel Dominguin was gored four times in the groin by a bull and seriously injured during a fight here on Sunday.

Dominguin, 46, who came out of retirement last year after a 10-year absence from the ring, was thrown in the air and dragged around the arena by the bull.

He was rushed to hospital and had an immediate operation. Doctors said his life was not in danger.

Dominguin is the brother-in-law of bullfighter Antonino Ordonez, with whom he fought a famous bullfighting duel in 1969 which was described by Ernest Hemingway in his book, "The Dangerous Summer."

Scheel to visit Malta for talks with Mintoff

BONN (UPI). — Foreign Minister Walter Scheel will visit Malta Monday for talks with Prime Minister Dom Mintoff, a ministerial spokesman said yesterday.

He said they would discuss international questions and relations between the two countries.

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Mitterrand cancels Soviet trip after threat

they have agreed on a joint campaign platform for the 1976 French general election.

Mr. Mitterrand wrote to Abrasimov a week ago denouncing the renouveau of Soviet Jews as a breach of the United Nations Charter of Human Rights and demanding that the levies should be lifted.

In his answer to Mitterrand, Abrasimov accused him of "trying to artificially divide Soviet citizens according to national criteria." He asked: "For what reason do you take such pains and are so obsessed by marking Jews off from the common family of Soviet citizens? For what reason are you trying to give them a special status and even, I would almost say, special rights?"

"Le Monde", which like the non-Communist press yesterday denounced the Soviet criticism of being grossly intolerant of criticism, commented: "This is a curious idea of Franco-Soviet cooperation. Imagine what sort of comments there would be in 'Pravda' if the American Ambassador in Paris had made a similar protest to the French government and the Communist Party."

By **JACK MAURICE**
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — French Socialist party leader Francois Mitterrand yesterday cancelled a visit to the Soviet Union after a threat by the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, Evgeny Abrasimov, that Russia would withdraw its invitation to him, to visit Moscow.

Mitterrand scrapped his visit scheduled for November, in response to the threat by Abrasimov contained in a letter on Sunday which protested the anti-Soviet stand Mitterrand had taken in protesting the reasons for imposed by the Soviets on professional Soviet Jews who seek to emigrate.

The French Socialist party executive is to meet later this week to discuss the row with the Soviet government over the plight of the Jewish community.

But it seems unlikely that the Socialists will pursue this polemic in public. They are eager to play down the issue in order to spare further embarrassment for the French Communists with whom

'Harassed' UDA breaks off 'diplomatic ties' with Army

BELFAST (Northern Ireland (UPI). — The Ulster Defence Association (UDA), a para-military Protestant organization, said yesterday it was being harassed by the British Army and was breaking off cooperation with it.

The UDA announcement also said its 50,000 members would resume wearing disguises of masks and dark glasses as protection against reprisals of the Irish Republican Army (IRA).

The UDA announcement followed reports that British forces last week arrested a UDA member for illegal possession of a revolver. The reports said UDA members made an unsuccessful bid to rescue him.

A UDA spokesman said in effect the UDA was breaking "diplomatic relations" with the Army under what it called "continual harassment of UDA members by the security forces and Mr. Whitlaw's bungling of Northern Ireland issues."

The UDA spokesman said the British Secretary of State, William Whitlaw has been seeking a political solution to the Northern Ireland problem and had won agreement from Catholic political leaders in the province to meet him and Prime Minister Edward Heath in England today.

The UDA, which calls itself a "counter-terrorist" organization to protect Protestant areas from the IRA, claims it can turn out 20,000 men in the streets of Belfast within 30 minutes if needed.

Earlier, IRA sources said the Provisional IRA was planning a shakeup in leadership and military tactics against the British Army.

The UDA spokesman said the IRA's "counter-terrorist" support among Roman Catholics as a result of their recent bombing and shooting campaign that has indiscriminately taken civilian lives, they said.

From now on, they said, the gunners will seek to eliminate risks to the civilian population and the IRA will refrain its guerrilla tactics which could be a return to the "flying column" guerrilla tactics used in the early 1920s against British forces, the sources said.

The re-thinking among the Provisional leadership followed growing

Heath, Lynch hold 'useful' talks on Ulster

MUNICH (UPI). — British Premier Edward Heath met for 90 minutes with his Irish counterpart Jack Lynch at the British Consulate yesterday in what the Irish Premier termed "useful talks."

A British spokesman described the meeting, called while both premiers were here for the Olympic Games, as "straightforward" and said Heath made it plain he expected Lynch to crack down further on Irish Republican Army units actively operating in Ulster from Ireland.

Lynch said he hoped they had both come nearer a solution to the Ulster problem. "We had useful talks," he told reporters after the meeting.

The British spokesman made it clear Heath had done most of the talking. He said Heath told Lynch there had been more than 23 raids across the border into Northern Ireland in recent weeks.

Heath also said 50,000 rounds of ammunition and 15,000 explosives had been discovered in Northern Ireland since direct rule was introduced, according to the spokesman.

"The British government has already made an impressive list of concessions, there can be no more," the spokesman said, adding that Heath had spoken "with vigour."

The two men also discussed problems concerning both countries' entrance into the European Common Market, the spokesman said.

India may take some Asians 'on individual basis'

NEW DELHI (AP). — Foreign Minister Swaran Singh indicated yesterday India might accept on an individual basis some of the Asians with British passports being expelled from Uganda.

He ruled out any blanket permission for entry, however, telling Parliament, "We cannot take any posture that will oblige the United Kingdom government of its responsibility."

The Foreign Minister attacked as racially motivated the expulsion order by Uganda President Idi Amin. "To proceed on considerations of ethnic origin and discriminate against people of a particular race or region is likely to weaken the struggle against racial discrimination in other areas," he said.

Swaran Singh said India accepts full responsibility for the Indian citizens included in the expulsion order, who he said number about 4,500.

The government expects that

"Indian nationals who are required to leave their country (Uganda), are enabled to do so under conditions conforming to humane and equitable principles of international law and usage," he said.

Uganda's current provisions for the Asians' "cash and moveables are wholly inadequate," he charged.

A member asked why India should not accept everybody being expelled by Amin, Asians with British or Indian passports and stateless persons.

"What the member is suggesting is an easy way for the British government to get out of its responsibility for the British passport holders for whom it has taken full responsibility," Singh said.

He praised the stand of the British government, said New Delhi and London are in contact over the issue and maintained that "we are prepared to consider individual cases but we cannot accept what the member is suggesting."

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est German tandem cyclists Juergen Barth and Rainer Mueller fall in front of their Dutch opponents (left) Bek and Benedykt Kooot in the quarter-final race on Sunday.

Swimmers give U.S. medal lead

American swimmers made a sweep of all four events in the Olympic pool in Munich yesterday to put the U.S. ahead again in the medals race of the 20th Games. The four swimming victories gave the U.S. a total of 25 gold medals lead Russia by two. America has more of the baser metal. Both Soviet triumphs came in the 200-metre sprint — in 20 minutes flat to double up in the 100m. He had previously won the 100m. In the triple jump, his team-mate, for Sanevsky came into the gold with a leap of 17.35 metres. Other victors yesterday were the 100-metre steeplechase, and West Germany's Ulrika Meyfarth, a toly dark horse who won the men's high jump. Borzov's 200-metre triumph was practically settled half-way to the finish, and he beat second-place Larry Black of the U.S. by hair a metre. Borzov became the third man in history to go under 20 with an electronic timing of 19.99 seconds. His official timing was 20.00 for a ropean record. Black had a slight lead coming off the final turn but Borzov, who earlier won the 100 metres gold medal, staged a strong finish. With 80 metres to go, the Russian flashed into a short lead, and with 50 metres left he was in complete command. Borzov became the first double sprint winner in an Olympic games since America's Bobby Morrow at Melbourne in 1956. He is the first Russian to win either of the sprints. Sanevsky's triple jump win was his second straight Olympic gold medal with a first leap of 17.35 metres. Joerg Drahmel of East Germany came within 4 cms. of it to capture the silver medal, and Nelson Prudencio of Brazil the bronze, with 17.05. Miss Meyfarth, an unknown 16-year-old West German girl, jumped to an Olympic record of 1.90 metres to win the women's high jump. Yordanka Blagoeva of Bulgaria won the silver medal with a jump of 1.88 metres, and Hona Gussenbauer, the Austrian world record holder at 1.92 metres, took the bronze at the same height. Ludmilla Bragina of Russia led from start to finish to break her own world 1,500 metres record during a qualification heat for the Olympic title. The Russian girl broke out from the bunch after about 50 metres had been covered and went on to win in 4 minutes, 6.5 seconds to take four-tenths of a second off the mark she set less than two months ago in Moscow. Glenda Retser of Canada, a 17-year-old racing in her first major season, also broke the old record when she finished second in 4:08.7. Vassilena Aminza of Bulgaria captured the second heat and Tamara Pangelova of the Soviet Union won the third group. The fourth and final heat was won by petite Ellen Tittel of West Germany. On Sunday night, Toyokabu Nomura of Japan won the welterweight judo gold medal. Anton Zajkowski of Poland won the silver medal; while Dietmar Hoetger of East Germany and Anatoli Novikov of the Soviet Union won the two bronzes. In one of the big upsets of the Games, the favoured Soviet weightlifters failed dimly to live up to expectations. Only one Moscow musician has so far won a gold medal, and four out of seven entries in the first seven weight divisions failed to qualify. All four dropouts could not raise the weight they nominated. Even if the Russians win the remaining titles — they have men in two other events — they will finish behind the Bulgarians, who have already won three gold and two silver medals. (Reuters, UPI)



Esther's future in doubt

Takes 4th in heat, semi-finals today

By DEBBA MARKUS
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
MUNICH. — Israel's top woman sprinter Esther Shahamov has come up against reality here at the Olympics and she and her coach, Amizur Shapira, face some serious thinking and hard work if Esther is going to go further in the sports world.

Shapira holds the key to much of her past success. Two years ago at the Asian Games in Bangkok she won two gold medals and a silver one (with a first place in the 100m. final, she then topped that feat yesterday by qualifying for the semi-finals of the 100m. hurdles. That race is to be run today.

Esther has a powerful build. She runs with a slight rolling action which tends to restrict her speed over the 100m. sprint, but her power could produce a great 200m. time. Her hurdling must be worked on. Her best time in the 100m. is 11.4 and she should do better than her 13.4 for the 100m. hurdles. Her lack of technique over the hurdles where she pulls back on landing instead of running on to the next hurdle must be overcome.

Esther learns from experience and here she is getting the best that can be had. Moreover, her ability to produce her best under pressure shows her psychological stability, an essential in top class racing.



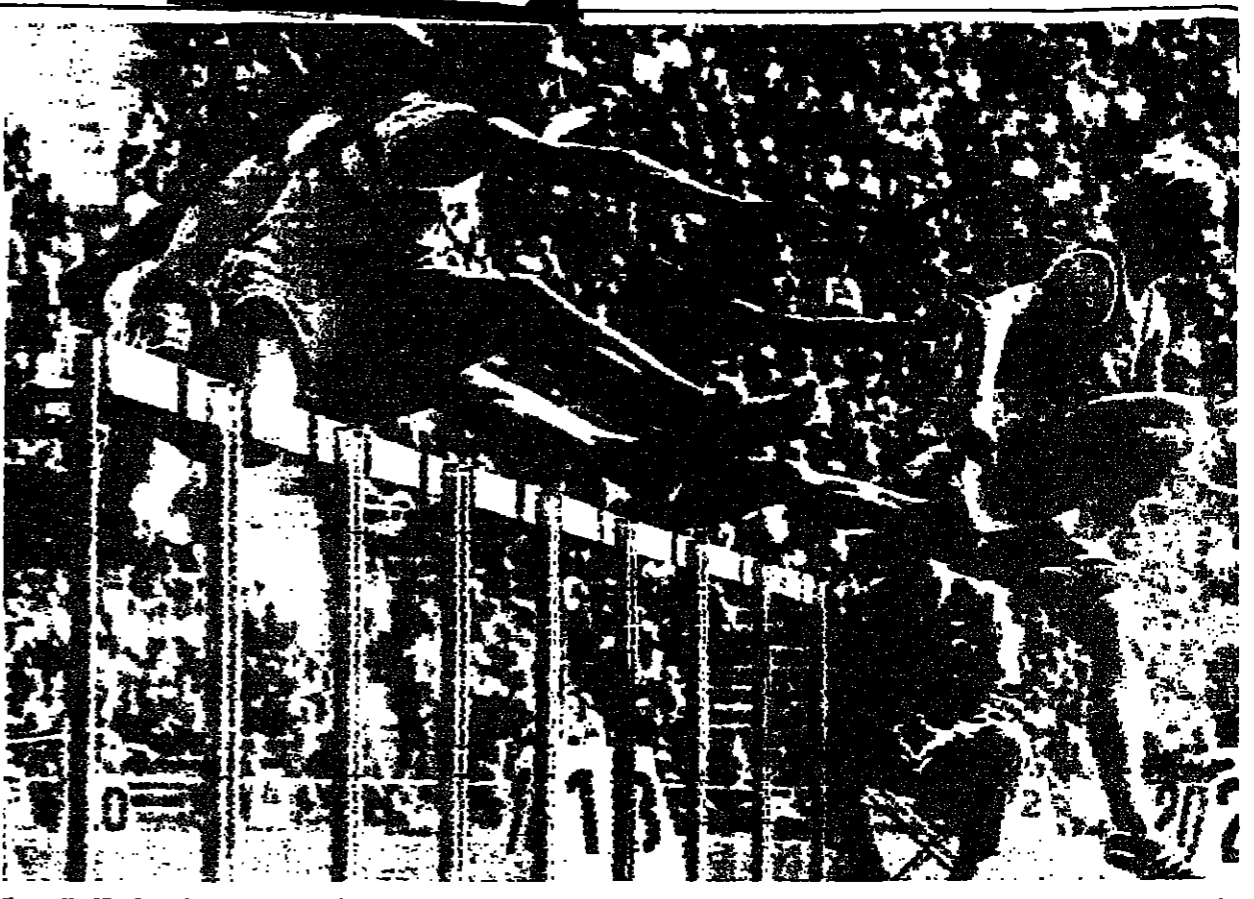
Kenya's Kipchoke Keino jumps the barrier in the final lap of the 3,000-metre steeplechase final yesterday.

Kenya's Keino comes through

MUNICH (UPI). — Kipchoke Keino, the greatest distance runner ever to come out of Kenya, yesterday came through with a storming last lap to win the Olympic 3,000 metres steeplechase gold medal yesterday.

Keino, who won the 1,500 metres in Mexico City four years ago and plans to defend the title here, completed his run in 8 minutes 23.64 seconds to win from team-mate Ben Jipcho and Finland's Tapio Kantanen. Defending champion Amos Bitwot of Kenya finished sixth.

Keino, who calls the steeplechase "a race for animals," said he entered only because the Olympic schedule did not permit him to compete in both the 1,500 and 5,000 metres. The finals of those two events are only minutes apart next Saturday.



Israel's Esther Shahamov (centre) during her heat in the 100-metre hurdles yesterday. She came in fourth, qualifying for the semi-finals to be held today. Annelie Ehrhardt of East Germany (far right) came first in the heat, Judith Vernon (left) of Great Britain was second and Therese Nowak of Poland (partly hidden) third.

What of Israel's other sportsmen? To begin with, Yuval Vishnitzer was given far too high a minimum to achieve. He got close to it many times. On his trip through Europe he tried again and again, perhaps too often in too short a space of time when a holiday break and relaxation might have produced the desired effect. He is young and should have been encouraged and given the chance to gain the vital experience that only the Olympics can give. Fifteen-year-old Ilana Abramovitch, who missed the high jump minimum by some five cms., should also have been sent to Munich, if only as a spectator. She needs to see, know and feel the atmosphere of such competitions.

As for Hana Shezif, she is not in the world class. She has been given her chances and should know when to quit. Aviva Balas needs a good coach. She is capable of 2:02.00 in the 800 metres, whereas her time now is 2:06.5 secs. She needs discipline and hard driving to bring the best out of her before it is too late. She has a natural speed and a beautiful body for such an event. She should be developed with strict discipline. Moreover, she needs plenty of competition to learn to cope with it. She has a great talent and at the age of 22 her talent should be matured for the next Olympics.

Not yet at peak

Whatever her outcome in today's final, her future is not just up to her. Esther, in my opinion, has not yet reached her peak and coach Shapira bears the responsibility of developing her potential to its full. Esther needs many more opportunities to meet the best in the world in order to learn what it means to fully extend herself.

Shapira should be given full credit for the work he has already done. He has had to fight to resist interference from many quarters, and rightly so, as he knows his athlete best. Yet he must now be prepared to seek further advice. Israel must help him, either by sending him abroad to learn from top coaches or bring top coaches here to help him work with Esther. Esther's potential must not be left to waste away.

Esther has qualified after two years of study at the Wingate Institute to teach in a primary school. But she is not assured of a third year at Wingate. There she is helped by the institute's atmosphere and she has the facilities she vitally needs. If she could finish a third year at Wingate, she would qualify to teach in high school. Yet due to the time and effort she has given to bring Israel so much honour and pride, she has dropped her grades. She would surely be helped if public demand could be roused to express its gratitude by helping her with a scholarship, so easily obtained by sportsmen abroad.

Israel's Shaul Ladani (496, far right), at the start of the 50-kilometre walk at the Stadium on Sunday. West Germany's Bernd Kanneberg (372, foreground) won the event. (AP radiophoto)

Price rise not basis for breaking a contract

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeals Before Justices Berenson, Mazy and Kister. Yosef Levi, Appellant, v. Ram Caspi and Others, Respondents (C.A. 2/72). The Supreme Court allowed the appeal against a decision of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on December 27, 1972 (in Motion 3867/69). Court-approved contract is binding on trustees

LAW REPORT
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The respondents are trustees for companies which submitted proposals for a compromise with creditors to the Tel Aviv District Court. In the course of these proceedings the trustees agreed that two companies should sell two plots of land to the appellant for a sum of money, to be distributed amongst the creditors. As, however, the companies could not face the necessary certificates regarding that they had paid the taxes and taxes on the land, the implementation of the contract was not effected at the time of the contract. In the meantime, the price of the land had risen and the companies' creditors asked the District Court to instruct the trustees to refrain from transferring the land to the appellant and to put it up for sale more. The District Court acceded to this request, holding that a notion must be drawn between the acts of trustees and other persons acting in public office, and contracts between ordinary buyers and sellers.

The appeal against this decision to the Supreme Court, Mr. I. Nistreich appeared for the appellant, Mr. P. Mazy and Mr. E. M. for the trustees, and Mr. E. M. for Mr. B. Bier and Mr. S. M. for the appellants.

Judgment
Justice Kister, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, held that the distinction between contracts of sale in which one party is a public functionary and contracts of sale between two private individuals, which the District Court had drawn, had no basis in law. For the doctrine of contract, which applies equally to the citizen as an individual and to the holder of public office, is intended to conserve public money, is money of corporate bodies and of supervision, Justice Kister continued, there are, in several provisions to the effect that acts made by guardians or trustees, etc. are subject to the approval or permission of the court, once this approval or permission is given, then the contracts between ordinary citizens, subject to the same rules as all other contracts, and the courts are not entitled to cancel them for reasons which would not hold in the case of contracts between private individuals also C.A. 555/71, 1 P.D. 819.

In short, Justice Kister concluded, a contract is made with the approval of a court, then that contract is as binding on trustees as on other parties; and if the trustees object to its implementation they must first seek the guidance of the court as to whether it is justifiable to expose the corporation or individual under the protection of the court to the consequences of cancelling it. Creditors, therefore, may not seek to get the

court's approval of the cancellation of a contract only because prices have risen and it would be to their advantage to get a new contract — as had happened in the present case. The appeal should therefore be dismissed. Reasoned judgment given on August 31, 1972.



The Soviet Union's David Rigert, who set a new record in the middle heavy weightlifting competition yesterday, tears his trunks with anger after losing the gold medal. (AP radiophotos)

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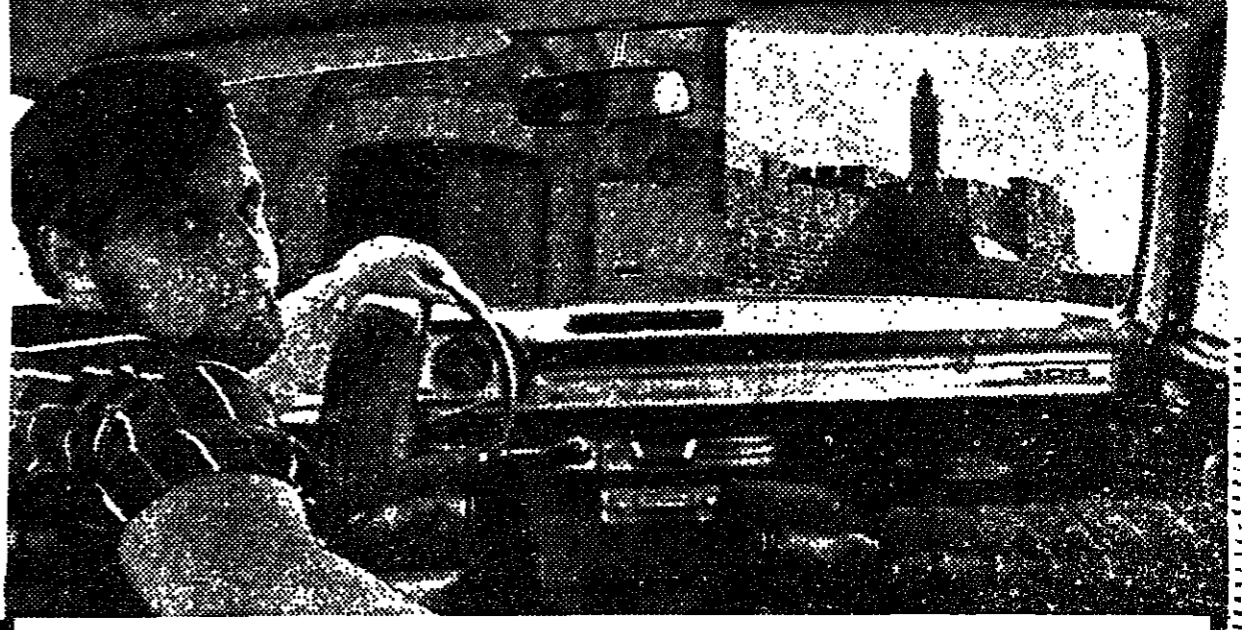
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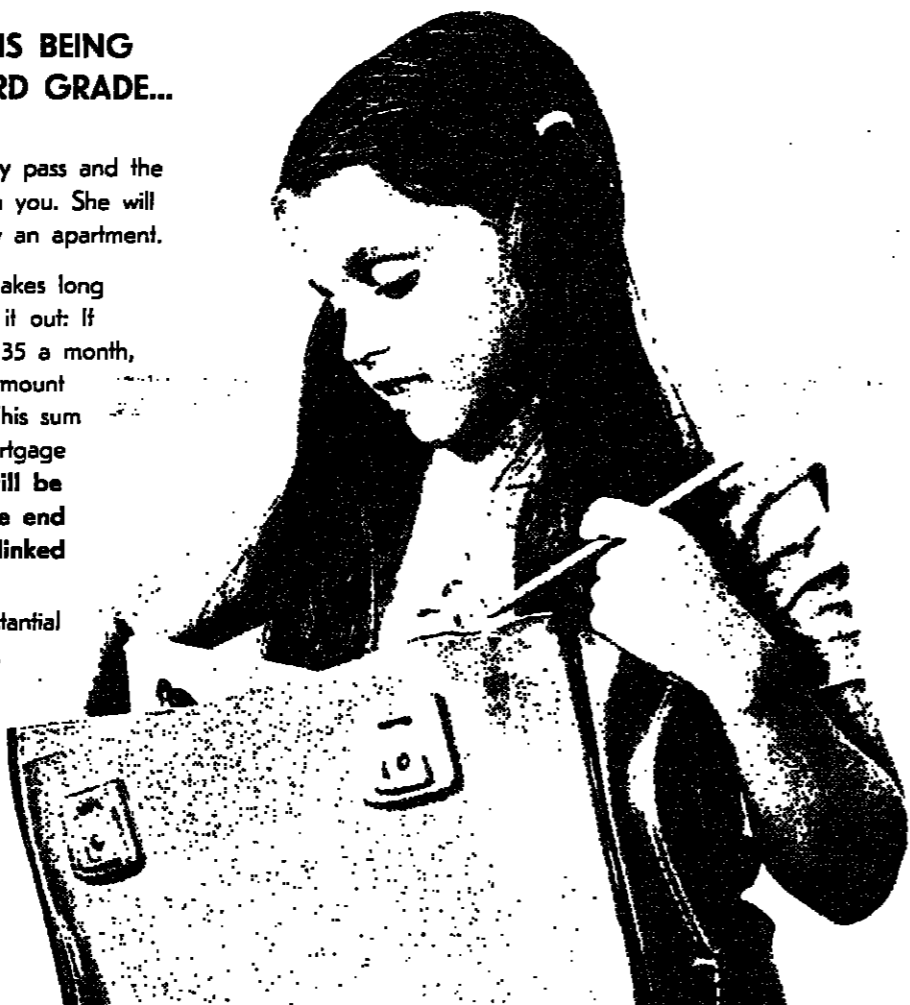


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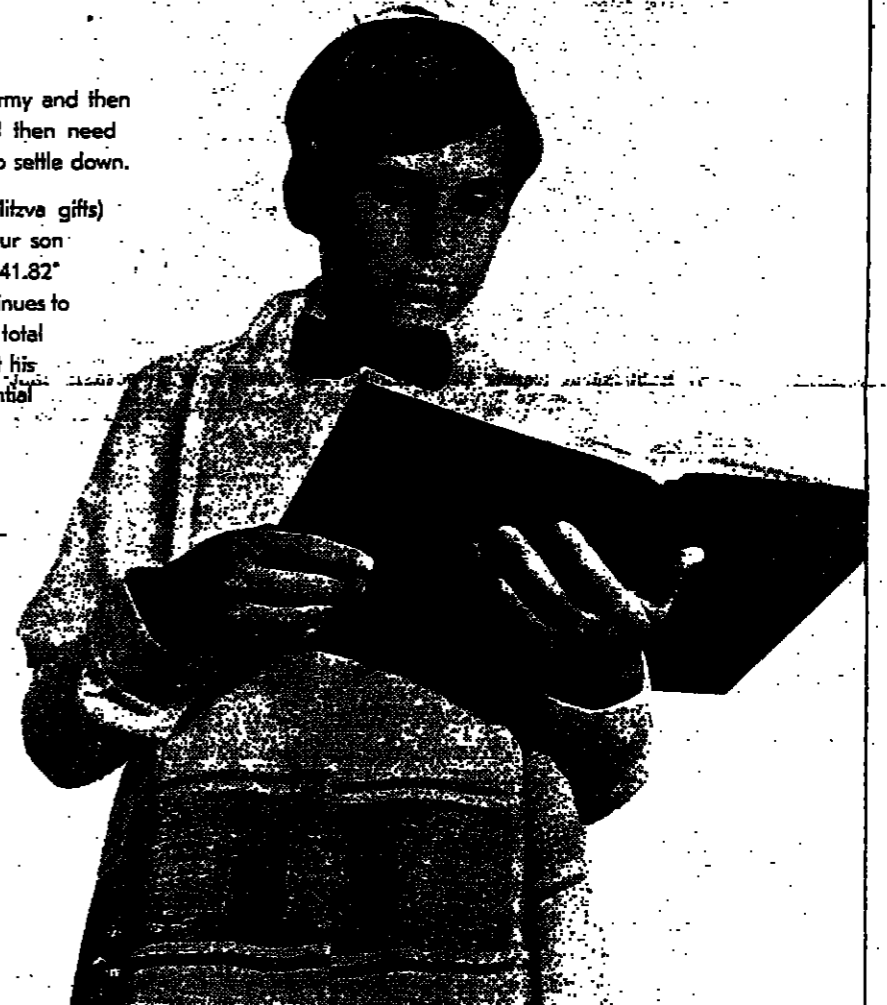
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J.N. BODY ISSUES ROSH HASHANA CARD



For the first time this year UNICORF is issuing a New Year's card for Rosh Hashana. It features a blue disc, heavily embossed design by Israeli-born artist Rina Rotholz, who now lives in the U.S. The card, reproduced from the in a special graphic technique called tuilegraphy developed by the artist, shows a crudely shaped disc, embossed with pomegranate seeds as a symbol of fertility and other ancient motifs and has a line of Aramaic lettering below it. The card inside carries a bi-lingual greeting in Hebrew and English. Educated in Lebanon and Israel, Mrs. Rotholz (the former Rina Chelouche), served as an architectural draftsman in the Israeli Army during the War of Independence before settling in the U.S.



Overdone caricature

KOTCH (Criterion, Tel Aviv) If a Walt Disney artist were to draw a kind-hearted 70-year-old man for a Disney cartoon film, he could do worse than to use Walter Matthau, made up as Joseph P. Kotcher, as his model. Matthau's deeply lined, jowley features, topped by a thick thatch of white hair, seemed to be nothing less than the creation of a cartoonist. There may be kindly old men who go around comforting crying children, wiping their noses and sending them on their way with a friendly tap on their posterior. There may be kindly old men who befriend pregnant teenagers, and when the time comes, deliver the baby in the ladies' room of a petrol station. However, when all are combined into the character of old Joe Kotcher, together with his garulousness and understanding, it becomes just too much.

BESTING THE MOLE RAT

RAISE the day... I think I've finally bested the mole rat at lives in my garden. It may sound strange to hear a grown man crowing over her victory over her opponent is half the size of her hand, but my elation will be well understood by anyone who has ever been plagued by one of these burrowing rodents. A friend of mine in Tel Aviv asks of the fact that his mole rat is a nice fellow who eats things of value — well, mine isn't. His taste is far from plain and when given a choice between imported tulip bulbs or a domestic grown, he carefully assesses the price and eats those that cost ILL.00 each more.



him, just to make him go away. One can flood his tunnels with kerosene but since his tunnels are usually located in the richest bulb beds, there's little to be gained by that procedure for in getting rid of the mole rat, one gets rid of the garden as well. Last year I even tried to appease him and planted a bed of sweet yams, thinking to tempt him away from my other tubers. He appreciated it but went right on feasting on garden plants and saving the yams for dessert. Just when I was about to give up bulb gardening (and even lawn gardening for that matter) I got an inspiration from the label on a can of a repellent product we've been trying out at the Nature Reserves Authority. The liquid, called Repel, has proved useful in keeping rock hyrax out of orchards, gazelles out of new plantations and honey badgers away from beehives.

While knowing I had a few ounces left over in a tin in my car I arrived home to be confronted with a new tunnel right through the middle of the carnations. "Now how would 'old toothy' like a bit of this down his tunnel?" I asked myself and promptly dumped it down, following it with a good dowsing of water from the hose. We haven't seen a sign of him for a month now, he just simply left. The beauty of it is that the material is harmless to man and animal, does not damage the plants and can be used on almost any surface. The only drawback is that it has a terrible smell that persists for several days, at least according to my nose, but animals seem to smell it even after a month or more. I'm hoping "old toothy" decides to stay gone for good but if he shows up again I'll be ready with my bucket of Repel and a water hose... I still don't wish him ill but only elsewhere.

BEIRUT RAID PARATROOPS WORE DRESS UNIFORMS

The paratroopers who destroyed 14 Arab planes at Beirut Airport on December 28, 1968, wore their dress uniforms and red berets, not helmets. This information, in addition to hitherto unknown facts about the raid, will be published in the special New Year's addition of the army weekly, "Bamahane," this week. The background to the raid is summed up in the magazine as follows: On Thursday, December 26, 1968, Arab terrorists attacked an El Al plane at Athens. One civilian was killed and an air hostess was injured. Tat-Aluf Raphael Eitan, the paratroop commander (Rafal), was called to Army H.Q. at five in the afternoon and received a briefing on the situation. He worked with his fellow officers through the night, and the next morning — a Friday — he presented the plan they had formulated to Chief of Staff Ezer Weizman and the Chief of Staff Lev for approval. By lunch it had been approved at Cabinet level as well. The instructions for the operation were clear: to hit Arab civilian aircraft, while at the same time to ensure that there was no loss of life. The paratroops were instructed to make sure that the planes were empty, and that none of the ground crews employed at the field were hit.

The time of the raid — 21.15 — was determined by two criteria: that there would be few landings or take-offs, thus keeping the number of people on the field down to a minimum, and that there would be a maximum number of empty Arab planes on the strip at the time. The time allocated for the raid was 30 minutes. The raiding party continued its preparations through Saturday afternoon, during which they were visited by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and the Chief of Staff. In a short address Dayan explained that: "this is not only a retaliatory raid. We intend to attach a price for the attack on Israeli civilian aircraft." Good meal On Saturday night — after a good meal and a bout of communal singing — the party boarded helicopters and flew into Lebanon from the south. The officers had to deal with four unknowns: to navigate successfully; to identify and ensure that only planes belonging to Arab companies were hit, and to complete the action within the given time limit; and to return to Israel without leaving any of the attacking soldiers behind. The helicopters landed at opposite ends of the floodlit field, and Lebanese ground-crews stood

by amazed as the paratroops rushed for the concentration of parked planes. The men carried sacks of explosives on their backs. Soldiers with loudspeakers warned the technicians and mechanics to get as far away from the planes as possible, while others removed stubborn Lebanese officials by force. Two explosive charges were placed in each of the planes which had been singled out for destruction. After it was ensured that all personnel were out of range, an explosion rocked the field, and the paratroops could be seen retreating, silhouetted against 40-metre high flames. All the while the attack was in progress helicopters dropped smoke canisters on the main arteries leading to the airport, so as to prevent civilian vehicles from entering the area. Exactly thirty minutes after having landed, the paratroops regrouped at a spot three kilometres from the field, climbed into helicopters and returned safely to base. Once home they were greeted by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, who referred to them as "the army's top team." The magazine depicts one of the favourite rumours which accompanied the raid: Rafal, it is learned, did not have coffee at the Beirut airport lounge.

Gaza police nab IL 50,000 of opium

Jerusalem Post Reporter GAZA. — The narcotics squad of the local police seized 2.2 kilograms of pure opium here on Sunday. They arrested the two men in possession of the drug, estimated to be worth IL50,000. Police say they came upon the drug after following a local taxi driver suspected of peddling. The driver went to a laundry and then left his cab to enter the place with a parcel. Police followed him into the laundry and arrested him and the laundry owner, allegedly taking possession of the parcel, which contained the opium. GAZA POLICE have arrested a 17-year-old boy from Beit Lahyah on a charge of raping a 10-year-old girl on Sunday.

EGGED RUNNING SPECIAL ROSH HASHANA SERVICES

TEL AVIV. — Egged will run special services for the Rosh Hashana holiday on Thursday, Friday and Sunday night, to enable it to cope with the large numbers of passengers expected. The entire bus fleet of the company will be on the roads, an Egged spokesman said. The last buses to leave Tel Aviv on the eve of Rosh Hashana are as follows: to Eilat at 2 p.m.; Urim, Tzefim and Gvulot at 2.15 p.m.; To Holon, Bat Yam, Lydda, Rehovot, Rishon LeZion and Ramle at 5.30 p.m.; Nirim and Nahal Oz at 1.30 p.m.; Beersheba, Ashdod, Yavne, Jerusalem, Kiryat Gat, Ezer Yacov, Azor, Ashdod at 5 p.m.; Kiryat Menashe at 12.30 p.m.; Naan, Gan Yavne, Hatzor, Givat Brenner at 4 p.m.; to the Upper Galilee at 4.30 p.m.; Kadima, Even Yehuda, Tel Mond at 4.30 p.m.; Zichron Ya'acov, Raifa, Pardes Hanna at 5 p.m.; Hertzliya, Kiryat Saba, Netanya at 5.30 p.m.; Tiberias at 3.40 p.m.; Afula and Nazareth at 4.35 p.m.; Safad at 1 p.m.; Yavne at 2.45 p.m. Buses will be departing from the Tel Aviv Central Bus Station for the following places on Sunday night: Eilat at 1 p.m.; Tiberias through the West Bank at 3.15 p.m. Internal services will be stopped between 4-4.30 in the afternoon. The internal bus services in Jerusalem will stop at about 5 p.m. Transportation will start on Sunday night at 6.40 p.m. The last buses from Jerusalem on Friday afternoon are as follows: To Tel Aviv at 5 p.m.; Haifa at 5 p.m.; Beersheba at 3.45 p.m.; Afula at 12.45 p.m.; Kiryat Shmona at 1 p.m.; Eilat at 1 p.m.; Tiberias through the West Bank at 3.15 p.m.

Minorities unit now 25 years old

Jerusalem Post Reporter ACRE. — The minorities unit in the Army is now 25 years old. The occasion was marked at a reception last night given by the Municipality of Haifa for soldiers of the unit, which it has "adopted." The unit was set up in 1948, and the first volunteers were Druse from Galilee villages and from Jebel Druse in Syria. They had first fought in the ranks of Yawukji, leader of the Arab Irregulars, and some regular Arab armies, but eventually went over to fight for Israel in the hope that Israel would treat the community better than the Moslems had done. Druse and Circassians account for the largest part of the unit. The Compulsory Military Service Law applies to both communities.

Record profit at Dead Sea Works

Jerusalem Post Reporter BEERSHEBA. — The Dead Sea Works yesterday announced an operating profit of IL26.8m. for the year 1971/72. This is the highest profit figure reported by the Company since it was established. It was attributed by manager Arye Sahar to efficiency measures and to higher potash prices on the world market. The company produced 946,000 tons of potash last year and its exports amounted to more than \$30m. worth. Net profit totalled IL6.5m. Production is expected to increase to 1.25m. tons by 1974. RITUAL BATH buildings have been approved for construction in 26 settlements and in the three cities, at the cost of IL50,000 each. Approval was given by the ministerial committee for establishing exceptions to the order prohibiting public construction.

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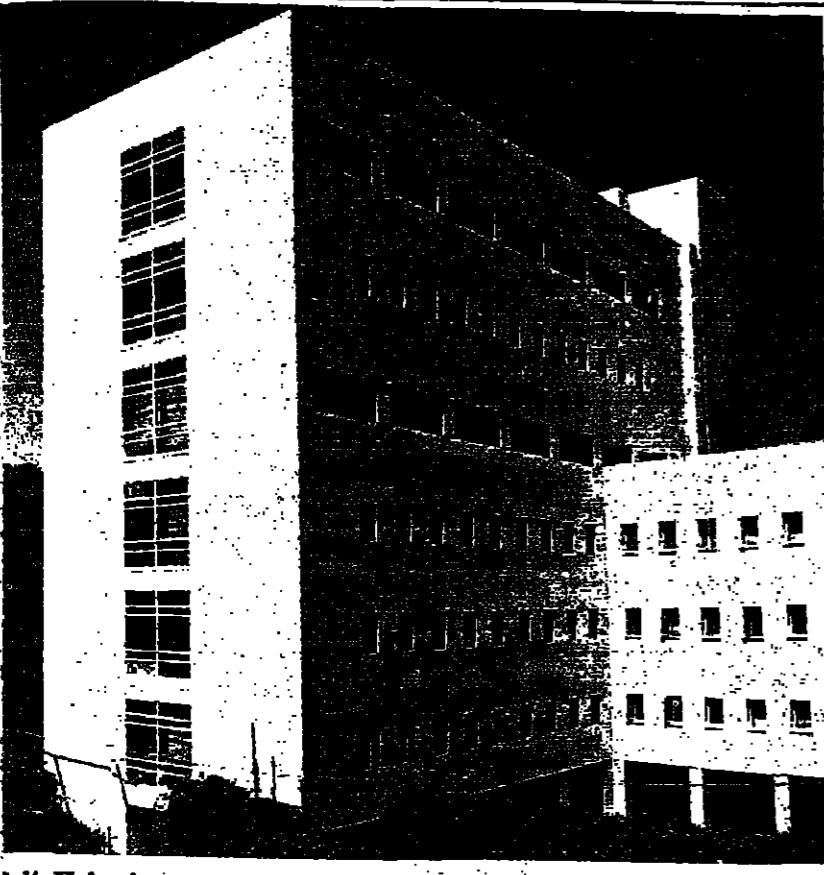
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'Enfant terrible' joins the immortals



Beit Ha'am's new seven-story addition in Jerusalem will house the municipal library.

JERUSALEM GETS NEW LIBRARY

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NINE years ago Jerusalem — capital city of the People's Book — had hardly a book to offer, at least not in public libraries. It was not until 1964 that the Municipality opened its first 3,000-volume library in the basement of Beit Ha'am.

This afternoon, in a just-completed seven-story wing of Beit Ha'am, the Municipality will dedicate its new central library, which will contain 120,000 books on open shelves (about 12 per cent in English).

In the three years after the opening of its first library, the Municipality opened six small neighborhood branches in West Jerusalem. Shortly after reunification of the city in 1967, the Municipal Library director, Rachel Cohen, studied the possibility of establishing branches in the Eastern parts of the city. She found that a library had been set up shortly before the war in the Jerusalem Leona building. It was a reading room, not a lending library, and contained only about 4,000 volumes. The facility was incorporated into the Municipal system and its director, Ghaleb Abul-Haj, stayed on.

Mr. Abul-Haj reports that the library has in the past few years come to play a major role in the educational life of East Jerusalem. It is now a lending library with 27,000 books, two-thirds of them in Arabic and the rest in English. Books and magazines published in Arab countries are acquired regularly, either from East Jerusalem bookstores, which import them across the Jordan River bridges, or from order from Paris.

The branch's 3,500 members include a broad cross-section of the city's population, from school teachers to housewives to school teachers. One thousand are women. Reading tastes have developed since 1967, Mr. Abul-Haj said. Where before 90 per cent of the books taken out were fiction, the figure is now down to 60 per cent.

Speaking of the library's rapid expansion, he said "We do more in a year here than they do in five years in the Amman library."

In addition to the main East Jerusalem branch, two other branches have been set up for Arab residents — in Beit Hanans and in the Old Quarter of the Old City. The latter is housed in the Omar's school on the Via Dolorosa and merchants along the street can sometimes be seen sitting in front of their shops reading books taken from the library.

There is also a bookmobile, conducted through the Jerusalem undation, which visits the outlying Arab communities. Here, children who have never seen a library before, queue up eagerly for the van's weekly visit.

Similar vans operate in West Jerusalem. In addition to visiting neighborhoods without local libraries, the vans also call on factories during lunch breaks to permit the employees to take out books.

Since the war, three new branches have been opened in West Jerusalem, including the Meyerhof Library, in Estamun, where the upholstered chairs and modern furniture have, despite predictions, remained undamaged. A large library being built at Ammunition Hill is being built at Ramat Bahikol and French Hill areas when it is opened next summer.

Mayor Teddy Kolek has said the main problem is money for book acquisition, the ILLS, being expended annually meeting less than half the demand.

The Municipal library system now numbers 57,000 members and contains 260,000 books.

"People thought television would kill reading habits," says Rabbi Shear-Yashuv Cohen, who holds the culture portfolio on the Municipal Council. "But since TV was introduced here the library's membership has gone up 10 per cent each year."

Batsheva premiere sold out in N.Y.

By SAM LEPSKY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel's Batsheva dance company begins its second tour of the United States in October with a series of performances which will take it to Washington, Detroit, Philadelphia, New York and other major Eastern centers.

Announcing the company's travel plans in New York this week, public relations manager Joseph Frenkel said the New York premiere on December 5 was already sold out. During its first tour in 1970 the company had been well received by New York audiences and critics.

Batsheva's repertoire includes works by Martha Graham, Jerome Robbins, Norman Morris, John Cranko, John Butler, Glen Tetley and other leading American choreographers as well as original Israeli creations by Miral Sharon and Rina Schenfeld.

While in New York Mr. Frenkel said he had tried without success to present a protest to the Ukrainian ballet company over the treatment of Valerie Panoov, the leading Jewish dancer who was dismissed from his position with the Kiev ballet after he had applied for an exit visa to Israel. The Ukrainians, who have been performing in New York, refused to accept the protest, Mr. Frenkel said.

HOW CHAIRMAN MAO LIFTED SHANGHAI

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH
SINGAPORE (Ofns). — NO-Soviet bickering may soon include argument on why cities like Two Russian experts have cited the common explanation: land subsides because the cities of coastal towns incontinently pump out the water on which they stand. The real reason why Venice slowly vanishes, they say, is that the bedrock itself is on the rise.

It is this Maoists can oppose experience of 10 million people of Shanghai. Shanghai is still 12 feet above water, but between 1921 and 1965 it went down seven and a half feet, and if continued at that rate, would be submerged. However, claim Communists in the six years between 1966 and 1971 it rose three feet of an inch instead (thanks to the Party Central Committee Chairman Mao as leader).

How was this levitation achieved? Analysis revealed that the city fell in areas packed with textile whose cooling systems relied on deep wells for their water, and fall accelerated as more wells were opened up. Moreover, where the wells were sunk into silt and not bedrock, the pipes through which the water was pumped out of the city rose every year and lengths to be lopped off, for the de-watered silt sank and the land subsided accordingly.

Some comrades then decided that only remedy was to close the wells, but others objected that this was like "giving up eating for fear of choking." Surface water should be pumped back into the wells during the winter, when the factories did not need to draw the cold underground water out for cooling purposes.

This solution was tried and led to the discovery that when all factories started recharging the wells simultaneously, the city rose perceptibly more than when the operation was staggered. Conversely, when all factories stopped recharging at the same time, the subsidence was greater.

The answer to the problem seemed to be to hand: "So every winter, we fixed a date in advance for starting to recharge, and water was sent into several hundred wells at the same time. When the time to stop came, we also arranged beforehand for the different wells to stop at various times," wrote an expert in the "Peking Review."

As the period covered by this operation extended from November to April, the water pumped back was cold, the temperature of the underground reserve soon dropped, and the amount that had to be drawn in summer for cooling the machines was correspondingly less. "The actual effect is that one ton of this water now equals two to three tons before."

"And the fact that the gradual sinking of Shanghai's surface in the past has been controlled, and there is a slight rising of the surface instead, vividly tells of the superiority of the socialist system and the boundless creativeness of the masses."

Chess correspondent
ELIAHU SHAHAF,
reviews the impact on
the chess world of
Bobby Fischer's victory
in the world
championship.



Bobby Fischer (centre) faces Spassky in Reykjavik.

AFTER nearly two months of a gruelling battle, 20-year-old International Grandmaster Robert James Fischer on Friday became the new world chess champion and the first American to hold the title since it was inaugurated in 1886. The final result of what was termed "the match of the century" was Fischer 12½ points, Boris Spassky, 9½. The "prophet of the century" turned out to be U.S. International Grandmaster Robert Byrne, who predicted the final score exactly.

In winning the supreme title of the chess world, Fischer put an end to the 24-year uninterrupted reign of the Soviets which began when Mikhail Botvinnik became world champion in 1948. The title was subsequently held by Vassily Smyslov, Mikhail Tal, Tigran Petrosian and finally by Spassky, in 1969.

Fischer's victory puts him in line with the immortals of the royal game, Wilhelm Steinitz, Emanuel Lasker, Jose Capablanca, Max Euwe and Alexander Alekhine, who dominated the chess world for over half a century. If Robert Byrne's current prophecy is to come through, Bobby Fischer will be the world champion for the next 12 years.

Never in the history of chess has a world championship match aroused so much general interest as the latest one, and certainly no prize fund came anywhere near the unheard of sum of the match's \$250,000 prize, of which 60 per cent goes to the winner and 40 per cent to the loser. Why the unprecedented interest? Up to 1948, the world championship matches were an incidental affair. Steinitz, Lasker, Capablanca and Alekhine represented themselves rather than their countries of origin.

Exception

Max Euwe, the present president of the International Chess Federation (F.I.D.E.) and world champion 1935-1937, was somewhat of an exception in this respect. His victory over Alekhine in 1935 became a matter of national pride to Holland and served as a powerful stimulus to Dutch chess, turning Holland into one of the prominent chess countries in the world.

Between 1948 and 1972 the contests for the supreme title became a "family affair," a duel between two Russian grandmasters. In the eyes of the world the Spassky-Fischer match was an East-West confrontation.

The prospects of snatching the chess crown from the Russians was naturally especially exciting for the U.S., where the royal game enjoyed a comparatively modest interest until Fischer became a serious contender for the crown. The only American to enjoy wide public interest in his native country was Paul Charles Morphy (1837-1884), the greatest player of his time. He was the only chess master to remain undefeated in key encounters with all contemporaries. However, Morphy was never the official world champion.

Fischer, the *enfant terrible* of the chess world, who never enjoyed great popularity in his home country, became the great chess hope of the Western world. Unlike Spassky, who can be said to be a product of the Soviet chess school, Fischer is a self-made man who devoted his life to Chess (the goddess of chess) from early childhood to the exclusion of almost everything else.

Bobby Fischer was born in Chicago on March 9, 1943. He learned chess at the age of seven from instructions that came with a chess set bought by his sister Joan and an old chess book he found. Soon he became entirely obsessed by the game. He progressed rapidly and at the age of 14 won the U.S. championship. At 15 he became the youngest grandmaster in the world. After his brilliant victory in the 1961 Stockholm Interzonal Tournament, Bobby cherished high hopes of winning the 1962 Curacao World Championship Candidates' Tournament in order to challenge Mikhail Botvinnik for the world title. But he finished fourth in a field of eight competitors, five of whom were Russians.

It was then that Bobby came out with his accusation that a Soviet "conspiracy" existed and it was only with the change introduced in the candidates' competitions — individual encounters instead of match-tournaments — that the ground for his complaints could be removed.

Fischer's second bid for the world title was rather an abrupt one. In the 1967 Soussie Interzonal tournament he walked out in the middle over a dispute with the tournament management when he was leading the field. Three years later he climbed once again to the candidates' matches after a brilliant victory in the Palma de Majorca Interzonal tournament. In the preliminaries Fischer disposed of the U.S.S.R.'s Mark Taimanov and Denmark's Bent Larsen with the identical score of 8-0 and finally defeated former world champion Tigran Petrosian by 6½-2½, winning the right to face Spassky.

and the really exciting ones were even less so. Spassky simply was far from his best, to say the least. Apart from failing to exploit his advantage in several games, he committed outright blunders in several others. Spassky is perhaps the only person who will be able to "explain the unexplainable" in due course. The excitement which preceded the match must have had its effect on the world champion, and Bobby's demands and constant complaints (which caused more excitement around the match than on the board) contributed their share in damaging Spassky's morale. But in the final analysis this was hardly the only cause for his defeat. Fischer was better prepared for the match. This was proved by the fact that he played openings he had never employed before. His play was far more accurate than his rival's and he was far better at exploiting the other's slightest mistakes.

Whether Fischer is a greater player than Spassky is still questionable. But there is no doubt that he was by far the better of the two in Reykjavik. Apart from committing far fewer errors, he demonstrated a superior sense of the position, and it was this "sixth sense" which enabled him to make the most of the concealed possibilities in any position. Therein lies his true greatness. The best appreciation of Fischer perhaps came from the outgoing champion himself: "I like Fischer's style very much," said Spassky before the match. "I like the purity of his play — very logical. His personality is very extroverted. He's a real fanatic. I feel fond of him."

At 17, Fischer proclaimed: "I am going to win the world championship." He has finally achieved his goal, and as far as the chess world is concerned he rendered it a great service, by breaking the Soviet monopoly on the world championship and popularizing the royal game to an extent never before known.

Little play

Since winning the title in 1969 Spassky has played relatively little chess. His recent appearances have been far from being convincing. In Reykjavik it was certainly not the Spassky we knew in the 1969 world championship match with Petrosian nor the brilliant winner of the 1966 Santa Monica (Pilatigorsky cup) tournament. Fischer, on the other hand, accumulated no less than 32 victories out of the 44 games he played in the Interzonal tournament and the candidates' matches. On his way to the final match he crossed swords with practically all the best players in the world, and the results speak for themselves.

If the Reykjavik match was less exciting than many other world championship matches, it is perhaps a sign of the modern world in which technique takes predominance over romanticism. Lasker, Alekhine and Tal stimulated the imagination of chess lovers far more than Fischer.

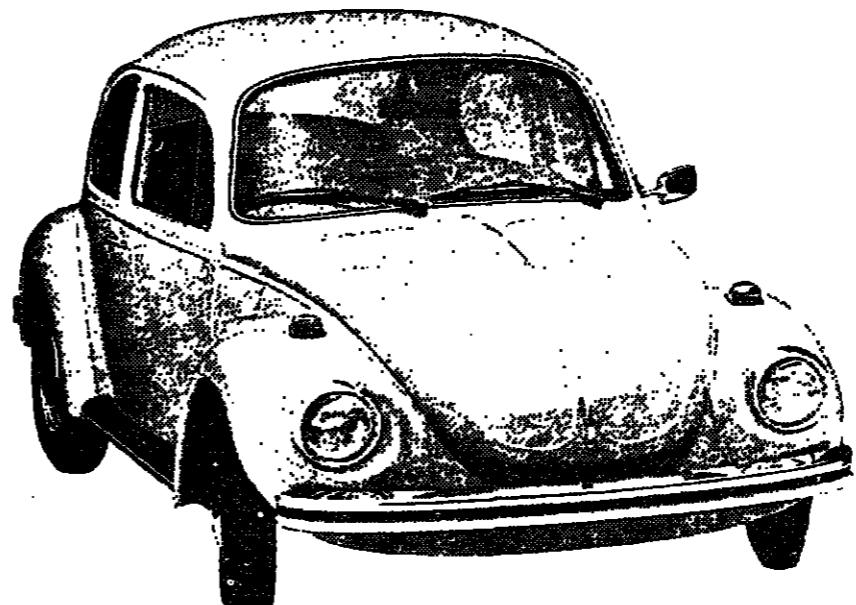
New demands

The Spassky-Fischer match was initially scheduled to be played in Belgrade and Reykjavik, but the Yugoslavs withdrew in view of Fischer's monetary demands. The capital of Iceland (which initially offered the second highest purse of \$125,000) was finally fixed as the site of the match and the opening date set for July 2. The story did not end there. Fischer did not show up, making new demands instead. It was not until the purse was doubled (by London banker Jim Slater) and a personal pledge made to Bobby by presidential adviser Henry Kissinger that the erratic American finally showed up in Reykjavik. On July 11 the first of the 24-games match was held, giving Spassky his first victory. Few could believe that in the next 20 games the world champion would win only one more game.

After forfeiting the second game (he failed to appear as a protest against the disturbance from television cameras), the challenger gave an indication of his true prowess in the third game. This was the first time Fischer ever defeated Spassky. In their five previous encounters (during 1960-1970) Spass-

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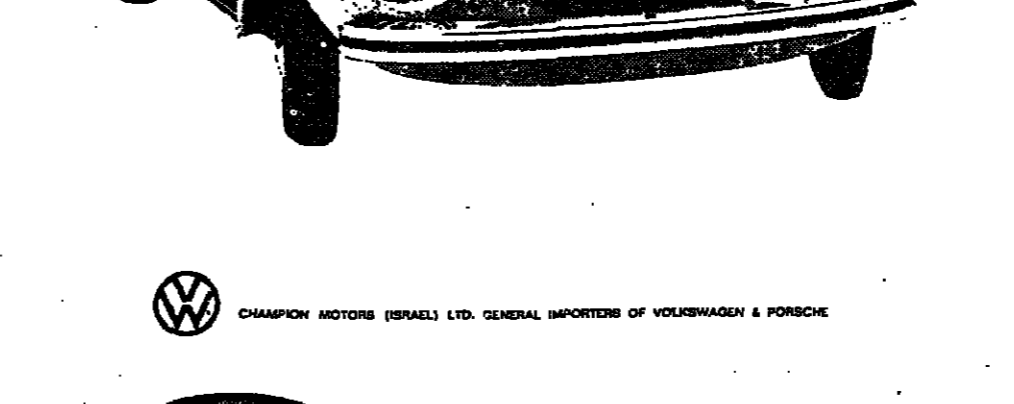


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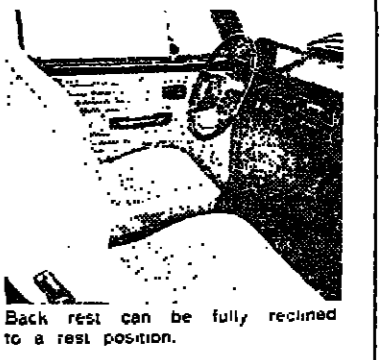
been improved like no other Beetle before. Just take a look at the pictures. What you see there is a new record! The world record in Beetle improving. (Of course, the economy VW 1200 and the well-proven VW 1303 will also be around in future.) Beetles cost from IL. 20,900 upwards. The new VW 1303. VW means more.



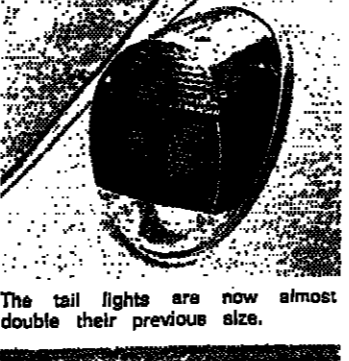
Newly positioned gear shift and handbrake, are now easier to handle.



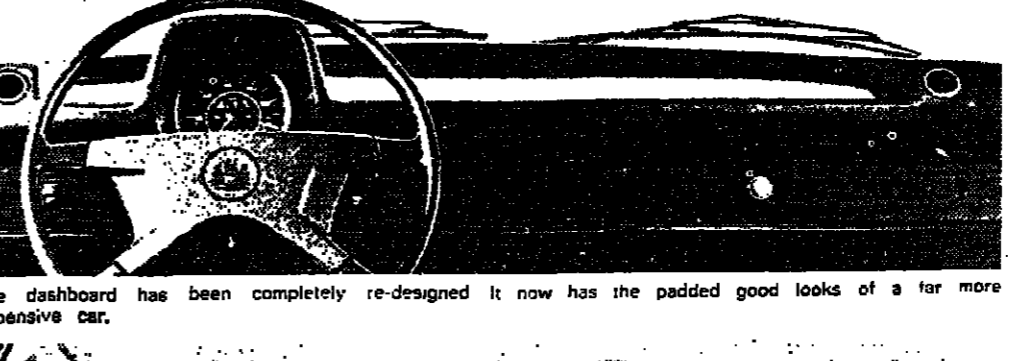
The dashboard has been completely re-designed. It now has the padded good looks of a far more expensive car.



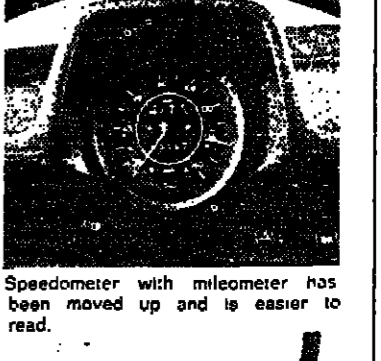
Speedometer with micrometer has been moved up and is easier to read.



The tail lights are now almost double their previous size.



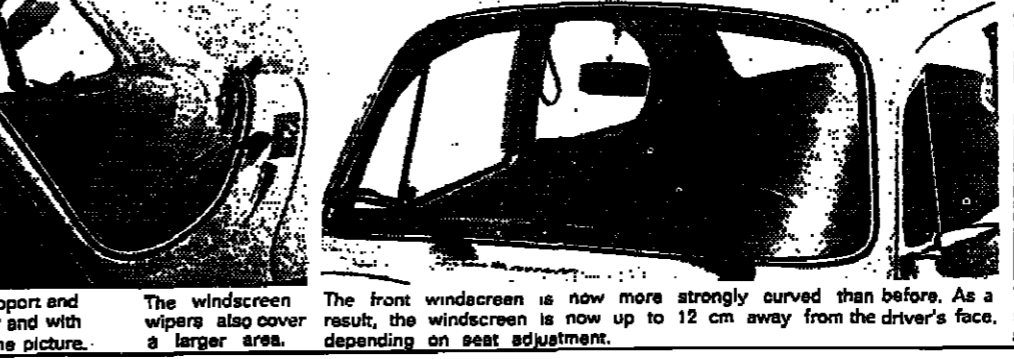
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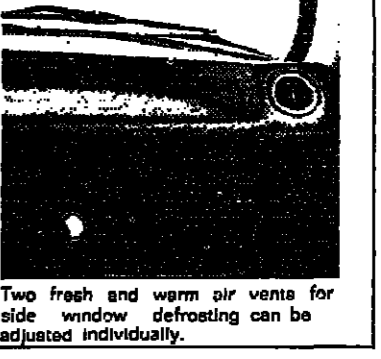
Two fresh and warm air vents for side window defrosting can be adjusted individually.



The improved seats offer more lateral support and better springs. They also recline further and with less effort. Thanks to the knob shown in the picture.



The windscreen wipers now cover a larger area.



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State Comptroller reports

Tel Aviv Municipal services

CLOSE TO LAWLESSNESS

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — A picture of near lawlessness in such areas as building inspection, business licensing and parking emerges from the Comptroller's report on the Tel Aviv Municipality.

A report, issued yesterday, gives the city one compliment — the Comptroller sees indications of an improvement in sanitation conditions.

A report covers the period from July 1967 to July 1972. The Comptroller takes the city to task for "the much too broad a which exists between the regulations taken to enforce building laws and the actual implementation of the regulations." The report also sees it "as a lowering of standards and the undermining of the citizen's respect for the law. The City should undertake legal action which enforces."

The Comptroller finds that there are too few building inspectors, preventing the spotting of illegal construction as soon as it is started.

Those cases in which the illegal construction was detected, the City often did not stop it. Instead it allowed construction to go on unimpeded until after a building had been letted was a complaint lodged. At times even this step not taken. If a court ruling, however, often failed to abide but the city took no further action against him.

In 1967 to 1971, for example, the City was to tear down 683 illegal structures, but only 236 were carried out. Some 3,500 notices were issued to be implemented, but only 1,000 were followed.

Lowering the Comptroller's criticism a municipal committee has recommended to improve situation.

The Local Planning Commission came under fire. Although the should have drawn up a zoning plan by 1969, no plan had been completed by summer of 1972. The Comptroller's out that time is of paramount importance here, because in the of plans, *faits accomplis* are established.

The City hired an architect to up the plans in 1969 for a sum of IL25,000, which was to have constituted payment for the work. The job, however, not finished in a year as originally expected, and IL25,000 was in 1970 and IL27,500 in 1971.

The report goes on to rap the Local Planning Commission for enormous backlog of applications pending permits which had been to build up. He notes that applications were speedily used, although they were not in nature than others.

The Local Planning Commission approved "considerable deviation from building regulations" referring these to the Local Planning Commission as stated in law. Safety provisions, especially regarding fire hazards in building, were not given attention.

The Comptroller reveals that hundreds of businesses operate at permits in Tel Aviv. This is especially grave as either produce or market food items. Others are carpentry shops, embroidery which must have safety approval to operate.

Other unlicensed businesses include cinemas and places of entertainment where no safety or health checks are conducted.

In all, more than 5,000 businesses operate without licenses, more than 1,000 of which are connected with food. Some 250 butcher shops around town and 15 slaughterhouses have no permit and sanitary and veterinary conditions in them are appalling. Also, without permits are 184 restaurants. Three places of entertainment which draw particularly large crowds operate despite the fact that they do not meet safety standards and despite the fact that they admit more than double the number of people than the law allows.

The Comptroller points out that the inspectors were not requested to make out detailed and precise written reports, making it easy for them to cover up violations and thus open the way for graft and corruption. This flaw has meanwhile been corrected.

The Comptroller goes on to accuse the Municipality of inaction in curbing illegal parking, which not only mars the city's appearance, but which also affects public health and safety. Pedlars often employ strong arm tactics against city inspectors, and the inspectors have no fixed, clear-cut criteria by which they can decide against which pedlars to take action.

The City claims that this problem is made extremely complicated by the fact that Tel Aviv has become a haven for pedlars from around the country and even the administered territories.

The Comptroller praises the City administration for improvement in

the overall sanitation situation but rates many exceptions, especially as regards garbage disposal. He points out that the Hiriya dumping grounds are so extremely neglected that they present a health menace. Ever since 1971 the Ministry of Health has refused to license it. The City has put a little financial pressure on the company operating it but has continued doing business with it, although no new contract has been signed since 1969.

He describes the dump as so utterly neglected that it has become a breeding ground for pests and insects. There are no facilities to prevent inflammable wastes from catching fire and the smoke and bad odours are a nuisance for residents of nearby areas. The Comptroller sees no solution except the selection of a new site more distant from town.

The disposal of liquid wastes also remains problematical, although there are hopes for a solution as soon as the Dan region sewage union begins near Rishon Lezion start operating in their full capacity. Meanwhile, 48,000 cubic metres of raw sewage are pumped out to sea.

Sewage canal upkeep is below par and safety precautions for employees were inadequate, a fact which caused three deaths in 1969 due to the inhalation of noxious gases. Since then improvements in safety were made, but factories continue to channel poisonous wastes through the sewage system.

Another safety problem is the poor condition of the roads and their lack of adequate upkeep.

In 1967, there were 42 road accidents with injuries resulting from potholes and other paving defects.

Thirty-eight such cases were reported in 1968. Repair work is of low quality and the city blames time pressure and frequent bursts of underground water pipelines for the situation. The report says that the repair teams are grossly inefficient.

Road construction also sorely lags behind schedule and the Comptroller finds that City planners frequently fail to draw up realistic estimates of cost, as they ignore such basic factors as topography and soil quality.

Public safety is also jeopardized by the inadequate supervision of factories and workshops to discover fire hazards, a fact which is made all the more grave when one considers that many workshops are situated below apartments. There is also often too great a distance between the City's fire stations and many sections of town.

In investigating the city school system, the Comptroller raps inadequate control of truancy, as well as faulty bookkeeping, irregular accounting and shortcomings in the inventories of equipment in the public schools.

As far as the social services are concerned, the Comptroller is critical of the shortcomings in keeping proper records and files on institutionalized and destitute youngsters, as well as of other cases under its care. Social workers do not pay enough visits to homes of neglected, lonely oldsters, the Comptroller feels.

Accounting irregularities were also found in the books of the City Water Department and the collection of water rates was found to be slow.

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The State Comptroller's report into the activities of the Beisan Local Council, released today, is a scathing document. More than 50 of the report's 70-odd paragraphs are critical, and charges of incompetence, abuse of public funds and maladministration are levelled at almost every branch of the Council's operations.

The development town of Beisan, situated in the Beisan Valley, is problematic for more than one reason. Not only is the town within easy range of artillery shells from Jordan, but its 12,000 inhabitants are mainly North African immigrants with little technical or professional training. Over 40 per cent of the population are unemployed in marginal jobs — "concealed unemployment" — while over a third of the labour force is employed in service jobs. Nearly half the population is under the age of 14.

Of the 6,000 youths under the age of 14, 3,100 are of school-going age, but more than 400 of them are registered with the town's unemployment bureau. Only 400 of the town's children attend high school.

More serious, perhaps, is the fact that in addition to its other problems, the town for many years never had a regional council to speak of, and in his report the State Comptroller writes that the Regional Council elected in November, 1965, and that elected in October, 1969, demonstrated acute neglect in the administration of finances and council matters, to the extent that serious doubts were raised as to the honesty of its officials.

The Comptroller notes that two of the Council's senior clerks face court charges, and the Interior Ministry had to appoint a special "enlarged Council," composed of reliable civil servants, to keep an eye on matters.

It continues to operate to this very day. There are also three slaughterhouses in the area which operate without licences — slaughterhouses which would never have been granted licences if they intended to operate under the conditions they do today.

Education is another field in which the Local Council was found to be guilty of gross neglect. There was no register of children who were supposed to be attending school, and because of this, children were found to be roaming the town streets without fear of reprimand for it never went on record they were not attending class.

Delinquency rife

Since there is unemployment in the town, and children of compulsory school age were not going to school, juvenile delinquency became rife and a special committee was set up to find ways and means of solving the problem. Two meetings were held, resolutions were passed and a study of the situation ordered. The study was never made, the resolutions never implemented and the special committee disbanded.

One third of the town's population — over 1,000 families — receive welfare allotments. The Council's welfare offices were found to be inadequate. Plans were drawn up for the building of new quarters but were never executed, and though the Ministry of Social Welfare had forwarded a sum of IL10,000 for the improvement of a youth recreation centre, the money was never used. At the time of the report the Com-

troller found the centre still below standard.

The accounting section was found to be in such a shocking state that the Comptroller hired a firm of accountants to go through the Council's books. Money was found to have been given out without the written approval of the Council secretary or treasurer, as required by law, and in many cases entries were found to be either incorrect or fallacious.

Hundreds of thousands of pounds were handed out without the proper procedures having been followed and without the necessary signatures. Cheques were given out without the Council having any money in the bank and legal actions taken against the Council by creditors cost the taxpayer several thousand unnecessary pounds.

There was no coordination between the Council and its various sub-agencies, and as a result the Council demanded taxes from people who had already paid, while others were taxed twice. Some teachers never received their salaries, and others, who had left the town, never had their salaries forwarded to them. Some families received welfare payments twice, while others received none at all, and so the list continues.

The State Comptroller's report into the activities of the Beisan Local Council is one of the most outrageous indictments on record, and what is even more the pity is that the population of any town in the country deserves special attention, it is the population of Beisan.

TEL AVIV ADMINISTRATION

Inefficiency confirmed

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Residents of this city who have been complaining for years about inefficiency in the Municipal Administration will find strong substantiation in the latest Comptroller's report.

The City should have a total work force of 8,391 persons, but it actually employs 10,760.

Employees are not always employed according to regulations. In several cases the Municipal Council demanded IL65,000 in income tax, as well as IL83,000 for previous years. In 1971, the income tax authorities demanded another IL93,000.

The City sells excellent water pipes and buys bad ones. According to page 116 of the report, in 1964 the warehouse keeper noted that a lot of pipes were accumulating, and asked permission to sell them. After he did not receive a reply for a year, he asked the tenders committee to publish a tender. After this had been done, the head of the Water Department wrote him that the pipes he was about to sell would bring in IL35 a metre — and these pipes were excellent, imported, not made any more and would last 100 years." After they were sold, the head of the water department said, the City would have to buy pipes at IL10 a metre and these pipes would last only 25 years. The pipes were sold.

Some of the mileage meters on municipal vehicles run backwards. After being used for a full day, the mileage meter shows less in the evening than it does in the morning of the same day, the Comptroller states on page 118. The cost of keeping 229 vehicles and 32 scooters is 100 per cent more than of using rented vehicles. Some drivers are putting in bills for overtime work, although their vehicles are registered as parked in the city garage at the same time.

About one-fifth of householders and about one-third of businessmen

BEISAN LOCAL COUNCIL

DISORDER IN TOWN WITH PLENTY OF PROBLEMS

Not only didn't the elected Council hold regular meetings, but the Council's various sub-committees, such as the welfare and licensing bodies, hardly met at all with the result that town services suffered from severe neglect. The Council's controlling body never met at all.

It was found that the elected Council members ran the town as they wanted, disregarding clear instructions from the Interior Ministry. They employed 375 workers in 1970, as compared to the 233 the Ministry allowed them to budget for, and people were given jobs of the cuff. The Council secretary granted jobs without asking for the basic and necessary papers which accompany all applications for work in the public service. Moreover, he granted several workers global overtime payments and payments for special jobs without having the budget for these. He did so without informing the authorities.

The Comptroller discovered that the Council knowingly allowed several of its workers to undertake private contracting jobs — on Council time — and in several cases it was found that these Council employees were actually being hired for private jobs by the Council itself. Also, private being paid by the Council did not match the actual cost of the services, and while its workers were busy doing private work, they continued to receive their full salaries because nobody had bothered to register how many hours were taken off, or how many days absent employees failed to show up for work.

Irregularities aplenty

Criticism of the Council and the way it operated is non-ending. Council members were found to be using council cars, but this did not prevent them from putting in a monthly bill for the use of their private vehicles; the Council paid traffic fines for its members despite a national regulation to the contrary; in 1969 18 workers were fired and paid IL50,414 (IL36,500 of this from the Interior Ministry) in compensation. Five of the workers were not only re-hired after a short time, but their new wages included a special payment for the many years of service they had given previously.

While the Council's members and its employees were busy looking after their own interests, thousands of letters written to the Council from local residents went largely unanswered. Complaints were rarely, if ever, dealt with, the Comptroller reports. Sanitary arrangements in the town were below standard and neglected, it was found, despite an order from the Minister of Agriculture to close the local abattoir.

SHARE PRICE

RISE CONTINUES

TEL AVIV. — Stock prices made further headway in very active trading yesterday. Turnover was IL3.8m. worth of shares, IL2.5m. of it in the variables.

The general index of share prices rose 0.81 per cent to 270.19 points. Analysts believe that speculators are looking for shares which are to issue rights or make spectacular declarations. The general public follows them blindly to share in the boom.

New issues worth up to IL100m. are expected to be issued before the end of the year, though mainly in convertible bonds ("the new best sellers"). It is hoped that this will satisfy demand to some extent.

Yesterday's volume-leader was General Mortgage Bank, a hitherto very stable share. It opened at 209.5 up a point for a volume of 30,000 shares, but soared gradually to 214, with another 20,000 shares traded.

Tefatoh, the Government mortgage bank, opened unchanged at 303.5 and then rose steadily to 214.5 on a total volume of 100,500 shares. Otzar Hashilton rose another 11 points to 165. Owing to the Labour Day holiday in New York, and no dealing in Curtis Wright and American-Israel Paper, the shares connected with the Wankel engine fell a bit. Israel British dropped three points to 270 and Paper Mills 3 to 655.

Wolofon came out of the limelight. It fell 11 1/2 points to 126 on 75,300 shares "only." ILDC digested its forthcoming rights issue well, recovering two points to 241. It must be kept in mind that every existing shareholder has to put up the money to exercise his rights, and may be doing so by selling other shares now.

Argaman is another story. The price still includes 25 per cent bonus shares. The market is very narrow, and every bid is met only at much higher prices. Yesterday's rise was 14 points to an all-time high of 457.

Dubek, on the other hand, which had been traded the previous day at a price equal to that before the bonus, was in heavy demand. An opening quotation of 368 was "buyers' only." Subsequently the price jumped up to 332 on very hectic trading, and finally closed at 370, with 55,000 shares changing hands, worth more than IL200,000. It should be noted to the credit of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange that such an amount can be traded.

Lighterage had another good day, with 57,700 shares traded at prices as high as 232, closing finally at 229, up 20 for the day. Cold Storage lost two points to 418, after being traded as high as 423. Pinyon Investment rose to 99 and closed at 97, up six for the day on 63,000 shares. Tal'abra took the 300 barrier and closed at 304 after 303, up nine (24,300).

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

SHARE PRICE RISE CONTINUES

Ata C, Clal Investment all gained one point. Property and Building, Discount Investment and Elern Investment picked up two each.

Dolar bonds were irregular and cost of living bonds rose. Natad remained unchanged.

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Closing Prices
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DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR	
5% Dead Sea Junior	r 210 210
5% Electric Corp. E	r 127 127
5% Electric Corp. E	r 130 131.5
LINKED TO THE G.O.L. INDEX	
5% Israel Inter 110.1	b 150.9 151.5
5% Bitahon 1968 Series 41	b 151.1 151.4
5% Bitahon 1968 Series 41	b 140.7 141.1
SHARES	
PUBLIC UTILITIES	
Electric Corp.	r 62.5 62
BANKING INSUR. & FINANCE	
Ozar Hashilton	r 209.5 214
L.D.B. Bankholding	r 217.5 217
Union Bank	r 294 298
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b 270 273
Israel Land Bank	r 461 461
Discount Bank — A	b 148 144
United Mizrahi Bank	r 165 165
Bank Leumi — A	b 324.5 324
Bank Leumi — B	r 165 165
Bank Leumi — C	r 83 85
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b 220 220
Housing Mortg. Bank	b 182 183
Clal Ind. & Supply	r 290 290
Israel Cent. Trade	r 172 177
Hashem Insurance	b 175 175
Wolofon — 10%	r 126 126
Wolofon, IL10	b 126 127.5
Tefatoh — 8%	b 214 215
Tefatoh — 10%	b 203.5 203.5
Sahar — C	b 179 179
LAND & DEVELOPMENT	
Asarim	r 131 179
Africa Isra. IL10	r 271 271
Isr. Land Dev.	b 238 268
L.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r 168 168
Isr. Land Dev.	r 178 178.5
Property & Build.	r 241 239
Mehadrin	r 276.5 276.5
Tri. Cr. Ind.	r 108 108
Anglo-Isr. Investor	b 127 125.5
Neot Aviv	r 91 97
Rassco 8%	r 111 110
Rassco Ord.	r 78 77
COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL	
Alliance — B	r 780 780
Eico — IL2.5	b 123 123.5
Electra, IL6	r 274 261
Argaman — 9%	b 245 245
Argaman — 8%	r 365.5 367.5
Motor House	b 79 73
Dubek	b 350 350
Lighterage & Supply	r 412 412
Elect. Wire & Cable	b 184 182.5
Solel Boneh — 10%	b 167 165
Lighterage & Supply	r 228 229
Chem. & Phosphates	r 62.5 62.5
Levin Epstein	b 89 89
Phenolics — 8%	r 136.5 136.5
Neuchistan	b 372 372
Teva	b 325 325
Phenolics — 8%	b 105 105
Paper Mills	r 685 688
Assis — B	r 239 278.5
Sheman — 5%	r 103 107.5
Paal Plywood	b 594 594
FUEL & OIL	
Delet — A	r 177.5 177
Naphtha — UTC	r 74.5 74
Lapidoth — UTC	r 158.5 158.5
INVESTMENT	
Elgar	b 113 110
Elern	b 216.5 216.5
Bank Hapoalim	b 28 28
Export Bank	b 96.5 96.5
Faz	b 116.5 115.5
Phenolics — 8%	b 105 105
Discount Bank	b 249 247
Bank Leumi	r 214.5 215
Foreign Trade	b 103 107.5
United Mizrahi	b 117 118
Clal	r 155 154



CARGO VESSELS EXPECTED

AT HAIFA PORT	
AS	5.9
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AT ASHDOD PORT	
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LABINA	7.9
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A. WORLDWIDE FINANCIAL REPORT

Condensed Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1971	
1970	1971
£ 1,888,548	£ 2,210,134
Investments	2,210,134
General Assets	1,947,128
Capital, Reserves and Surplus	788,805
Insurance Fund—General and Marine	2,039,282
Claims admitted or intimated	680,482
Other Liabilities	503,823
Proposed Dividend for 1971	200,000
3,467,524	4,187,267

B. STATISTICAL REPORT OF REVENUE AND PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNTS OF THE ISRAEL AGENCY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1971

1971		1970	
£	IL	£	IL
1,870,603	2,176,835	18,623	18,628
General and Marine Insurance Premium	2,176,835	Profit in General Insurance (Marine)	11,894
Profit	55,459	Income from Investments not included in Revenue Report	2,942
Income from Investments not included in Revenue Report	223,683	Business Profit	14,526
Business Profit (before Appropriation)	196,133		

INVESTMENT POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1971

1970		1971	
£	IL	£	IL
10,000-	5,000-	23,000-	32,000-
Admitted Investment in Israel	33,000-	Surplus of Investment over Liabilities	2,000-
		Not admitted Assets	1,000

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Tel Aviv, 3rd July, 1972.

Savings plan for housing launched

ISRAEL Discount Bank and Barclays Discount Bank have announced the launching of a new savings plan for housing, called Iron-Dira. It makes it possible to save up to IL20,000 over a period of 12 years. Savers who keep up their regular monthly savings for five years are entitled to a mortgage loan of twice the amount of their savings. The mortgage loan of up to IL40,000 will be granted at nine per cent interest without any linking clause.

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Foreign Exchange

(Yesterday's Interbank rates, London)

Dollar	2.4482/4	per £
DM	3.1877/83	per \$
Swiss Fr.	3.7773/82	per \$
Yen	300.90/301.05	per \$

Fine gold per ounce \$66.60/67.00

INTERBANK INTEREST RATES IN %:

3 Months		12 Months	
DOLLAR	5 1/4%	DM	1 1/2%
DM	1 1/2%	SWISS FR.	1 1/4%
6 1/4%	12 Months	3%	3%

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A FAR EASTERN PEACE

WHEN Malaysia and Indonesia signed a peace pact in 1966, no more than peace was expected. But ties of history, race and culture that bound the two peoples have created interdependence.

Malaysia soldiers in Jakarta, Malaysia presented Indonesia with valuable aircraft. No official agreement exists between the two governments regarding common border security; what does exist are practical arrangements concluded between the two regional commanding officers.

The earlier military confrontation cost Malaysia \$30m. a year — 25 per cent of the budget. It absorbed 70 per cent of the Indonesian budget, according to Indonesian Foreign Minister Adam Malik.

Like most developing nations, Malaysia is short of teachers, university lecturers and doctors. Indonesia has opened its teacher training centres to Malaysians and has sent doctors across on secondment.

Besides cooperating in many ventures launched by the Association of South-East Asian Nations, to which Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines and Singapore belong, the two countries have entered into several bilateral agreements.

At least 12 Indonesian doctors are manning hospitals in the rural areas where, because of the language problem, it is difficult to station other foreigners.

There is no official estimate of the number of terrorists in Indonesian Kalimantan. In Sarawak there are about 700. To combat possible infiltration by sea, joint patrols are conducted by ships of both governments.

Economic cooperation between the two countries shows an upward trend. Joint ventures operating in Indonesia are worth about U.S. \$20m. Much of the investment is in logging, covering large sections of forest land in Kalimantan.

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ISRAEL PRESS

PEACE MOVES AFOOT

Ha'aretz (non-party) says that something is on the move between the Arab states and Israel, suggesting that this may be the beginning of a thaw of the standstill on the Arab side.

tax, since the Supreme Soviet has not yet ratified it. "The resolutions at the London conference, therefore, must be forceful and factual but without any element of hostile confrontation which might prejudice the prospect of persuading the Soviet Government."

Al Hameishmar (Mapam) writes: "Irrespective of whether we do or do not have here a peace initiative, it appears that someone is putting out feelers and this has a double importance. Such signals could bring peace closer, as well as give the lie to the allegation that Israel is sitting pat and waiting for a phone call from Cairo."

Ha'sofe (National Religious), remarking that the Kremlin rulers are very sensitive to world public opinion, holds out hope concerning the prospects for rescinding the decree on the academic tax.

Hamodia (Agudat Yisrael) wonders what the logic might be behind the report concerning an Israeli peace plan, and queries the point of breaking the deadlock when — as the paper puts it — the Egyptian leaders themselves are still groping in the dark.

She'arim (Poalei Agudat Israel) stresses the double difficulty inherent in the struggle against the head-tax: Moscow is stubborn for fear other non-Jewish scientists might wish to emigrate too, whilst Western governments fear to intervene lest their efforts at a rapprochement with the Kremlin be vitiated.

Al-Nuds (Independent Arab daily) expects the U.S. to make a move to counter that of Western Europe, which the paper says seems to have passed a considerable distance towards formulating a Middle East settlement.

Mr. Eliav and others like him have ideas on how Israel can assist in the process of giving the dignity of nationhood to the Palestinians by establishing them in a homeland of their own alongside Israel.

Al-Anba (official Arabic-language daily) writes that Premier Meir's reaffirmation of Israel's preparedness for concessions once Egypt agreed to peaceful negotiations came as a decisive reply to the Arab propaganda which claims that Israel's prime aim is expansion.

King Hussein of Jordan, the Arab leader most directly engaged in the Palestinians' fate, seems increasingly inclined to consider a separate agreement with Israel — something no Arab leader has felt confident enough to do.

Davar (Histadrut), referring to the emergency conference of world Jewish leaders convening in London to discuss the plight of Soviet Jewry, notes that there is still time for vigorous action on the academic

tax, since the Supreme Soviet has not yet ratified it. "The resolutions at the London conference, therefore, must be forceful and factual but without any element of hostile confrontation which might prejudice the prospect of persuading the Soviet Government."

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Bid to shut out news in Ceylon

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Mrs. Bandaranaike — eager for control. (Muller-Camera Press)

FOR years newspapermen and artists in Ceylon have sought the establishment of a Press Council to help maintain high standards of journalism and to safeguard the rights of journalists. They failed partly because of the hostility of the island's newspaper groups, their rivalry and their heavy involvement with right-wing political parties.

vately-owned newspapers have all condemned the new Bill and published protests from trade unions, civil rights organizations, student bodies and Buddhist clergy who minister to the spiritual welfare of most of Ceylon's 13 million people.

It is proposed that the Press Council be headed by the government's own Director of Information, and of the four members appointed on the recommendation of the Prime Minister only one will nominally represent the interests of working journalists. The Council will devise a code of ethics, investigate complaints against newspapers or journalists, and may compel a journalist to reveal sources of his information.

There is, however, one gleam of hope for liberals. The island republic's two bulwarks of Western-style democracy, inherited from the British colonial masters, have been the press and the independent judiciary. It may be that the second can come to the aid of the first: the Civil Rights Movement has decided to challenge the Bill before the Constitutional Court.

25th ANNIVERSARY

Readers' letters

ZIONIST AIMS

Training at home and abroad

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — The article "Trainees should come to expert's country" (August 21) made most interesting reading, in particular, that many, for the past 11 years, has been working in the field of training students from the Third World.

Army parade not wanted

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. I am full of indignation at the announcement of a military parade approved by the Cabinet for Israel's 25th Anniversary. If a public poll were taken, there is no doubt whatever, considering the ILL-fm. cost involved, which could better be used for housing for the homeless, that Israelis would vote against this long-outdated custom of nations to display their military might.

Fine concert spoiled by TV

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — Last night, I attended the final concert by the Israel Broadcasting Orchestra at Binyamin Ha'ooma. I was shocked to see that the front of the hall and the stage were decorated with large television projectors, that very glaring headlights were on throughout the performance and two TV sets placed in front of the audience, probably to impress on them that they might just as well stay home and watch TV.

Weizmann and Palestine

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — I regret to have caused something of a flurry in the columns of The Jerusalem Post by my article of July 13 on the Z.O.A. In it I referred briefly to the interview Weizmann gave to the J.T.A. in 1931, saying he had no understanding or sympathy with the demand for a Jewish majority in Palestine.

Squatting on Mt. Zion

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — Confiscation of property by squatters is not new in the history of this land or in any other area of the world. There are numerous examples among Jews, Moslems and Christians of one group of people simply moving in and taking over property belonging to others. It is to Israel's credit that this type of action has decreased under the Israeli Government.

Parking at hotels

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. — On Sunday night, July 23, I stayed at Hotel Dan Carmel in Haifa. I parked my car in the garage beneath the hotel, as suggested by the attendants.

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